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# RANGITIKI SAFE AFTER ALL: DRAMATIC STORY

**LONDON, NOV. 17 (REUTER).—FURTHER STORIES OF BRITISH HEROISM WHEN A GERMAN RAIDER ATTACKED THE JERVIS BAY CONVOY WERE TOLD WHEN THE 17,000-TON STEAMER RANGITIKI, THE BIGGEST SHIP OF THE CONVOY AND ONE OF THE RAIDER'S MAIN TARGETS, DOCKED AT A WEST COAST PORT TO-DAY WITHOUT A CASUALTY AND WITH HARDLY A SCRATCH.**

The Captain of this ship said that the raider, which may have been the Deutschland, was first sighted some 20 miles away well down on the port bow at about 4 p.m.

She was not identified until 4.45 when she was seen to be a heavy warship.

The convoy continued at a speed of nine knots, which was the most some of the ships could do, but turned away. The enemy also turned, on a course parallel to the convoy, and opened fire on the Jervis Bay which steamed towards her and opened fire, her salvoes apparently falling short.

The enemy's second salvo hit the Jervis Bay amidships and evidently put her engines out of action for she lost way immediately. A third salvo struck her just before the bridge and a fourth hit aft, setting her afire.

The enemy then concentrated her fire on the Rangitiki. The first salvo fell on her starboard quarter, the second straddled her amidships and the third straddled her forward of the bridge. One shell fell within 50 yards of the bridge smothering the bridge with spray and shell fragments but doing no appreciable damage.

### *Star Shells Used*

Meanwhile the convoy ships made a smokescreen which, coupled with the gallant action of the Jervis Bay, enabled so many ships to escape despite the enemy's use of star shells in attempts to locate them and the fact that two or three ships were apparently on fire.

The Captain paid tribute to the coolness of the passengers, both men and women, who sang Scottish songs in the alleyways during the firing and later enjoyed a meal while they were wearing life belts.

The chief radio officer said he was playing deck-tennis when the raider attacked. He dashed to the wireless cabin and sent out the message which startled the world—that they were being shelled by a raider.

## Nazi Air Losses Yesterday

### Nine Downed In Abortive Raids

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

**LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—At least nine German planes were destroyed over England.**

This morning several waves crossed the coast of Kent and headed towards London. However, anti-aircraft batteries and fighting planes broke up the formations and sent the Germans scurrying out to sea again, with one or two units missing.

Nine raiders dropped 18 high explosive bombs on an East Anglian town and dive bombed on Aldeburgh. Four of the crew of a stricken raider bailed out with parachutes and were captured.

### *64 Lost In A Week*

LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Sixty-four German and 13 Italian planes were shot down over Britain during the week ending midnight on November 16.

In the same period, six British fighters were lost but the pilots of three are safe.

Detailed figures were:

November 10.—German, nil; British, nil.

November 11.— German, 12; Italians, 13; British, 2.

November 12.—German, one; British, nil.

November 13.—German, six; British, nil.

November 14.—German, 21; British, two (both pilots safe).

November 15.—German, 23; British, two (one pilot safe).

November 16.—German, one; British, nil.

### *11 Down Yesterday*

London, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Eleven enemy aircraft were shot down in raids on Britain to-day.

Four British fighters were lost but the pilots of three are safe.

## General Chang Buried

CHUNGKING, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The remains of General Chang Tse-chung, who was killed in action on the east bank of the Han River during the Ichang battle, were laid to rest yesterday afternoon at Peipai, famous hot springs resort north of Chungking.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek went to Peipai from Chungking to attend the burial.

## Nazi Ships Fooled By Neutrals

### *Rendezvous With Admiral Scheer*

LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Latest American news agency reports suggest that the German captain of the Phrygia mistook signals which he had intercepted between three warships and a British merchantman, and presuming that the warships were British vessels he scuttled his ship. The other three German ships fled.

It is now believed that the warships were not British ships but neutrals.

The Captain of the Phrygia is reported to have said that he was intercepted well within the safety zone.

Another message states that it is officially said in German circles in Tampico that the ships had a rendezvous 300 or 400 miles out with the pocket battleship Admiral Scheer, which was to have escorted them to Spain.

## FRANCO-GERMAN BARGAIN

### Currency Exchange For Trade Fixed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

**VICHY, Nov. 17 (UP).—After M. Laval's return here from Paris it was officially announced that an agreement on compensations had been concluded in Paris. The terms will become effective immediately.**

They provide for the establishment of clearing centres in Paris and Berlin for trade between Germany, France and the French colonies on the basis of 20 francs to the mark.

The agreement also extends to Bohemia, Moravia, Syria and Lebanon and applies to both the occupied and unoccupied zones in France. The new agreement gives the normal Reichsmark a value of 20 francs.

### *Reports To Petain*

M. Laval arrived from Paris by automobile at 11.40 a.m. and immediately went into conference with Marshal Petain, reporting on his conversations in Paris with the German authorities and also with the Spanish Foreign Minister when the latter was in Paris on Friday.

The conversations with Senor Suner concerned general French and Spanish problems, and their mutual interests in North Africa, including Tangier and Morocco.

Throughout the unoccupied zones, millions of pictures of Marshal Petain in uniform have been sold, and are expected to realise at least 25,000,000 francs which will be devoted to the relief of prisoners of war, refugees and unemployed.

## Italian Armed Column Smashed

ATHENS, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—An Italian armed column has been smashed up by Greek troops operating on the eastern sector of the front, according to reports received here.

It is reported but not confirmed, that a large number of tanks which were dispersed, have crossed the frontier into Yugo-Slavia to avoid capture.

## ATTACK ON NAZI SUPPLY SHIP

*Recently the Fleet Air Arm have carried out offensive reconnaissances over the Norwegian coast, where oil tanks, a German military camp, supply ships and transports have been successfully bombed. In this official photograph we see a direct hit on a German supply ship of about 2,500 tons in Haugesund.*



# HUGE GUNS ROAR IN CHANNEL DUEL ON SUNDAY

*By Ned Russell*

UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT

LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—The flashes of exploding bombs dumped by the R.A.F. lit up the French coast from Bolougne to Calais to-day and touched off an intensive retaliatory shelling of the Dover area by the German long range guns.

The British attack on the "invasion coast" had scarcely subsided when the Big Berthas around Cap Gris Nez and Calais, across the narrowest point on the Channel, belched, the shells screaming across the water.

Flashes of the German guns were visible from the southeast coast of England which trembled under the thunder of the cannon.

### *Challenge Accepted*

**British guns on "Hell's Corner," on the cliffs around Dover took up the challenge and for nearly three hours the artillery kept up the duel across the brightly moonlit channel.**

At intervals of three minutes, great explosions rocked towns on the English coast and hundreds of persons hurried to vantage points on the cliffs to watch the spectacle.

R.A.F. airmen encountered intense counter-fire while seeking their targets, the crashes of exploding bombs being followed by bursts as shells and searchlight beams raked the sky.

### *Hamburg Blasted*

The Air Ministry reported that the largest force of British bombers yet to attack Hamburg blasted a great number of industrial and communication centres on Saturday night and long "great billowing red flames" were reported to be surging over the targets of Germany's second largest city, major port and industrial centre upon which the R.A.F. have concentrated some of their longest and most intense attacks.

### *12-Hour Raid*

The first of the R.A.F. pilots arrived over Hamburg at nightfall and the last one was there at 6 a.m. Relay after relay battered the military objectives with scarcely an interruption.

Tons of bombs are reported to have been dropped on the targets, including railway yards and oil refineries at Alton and the electrical objectives in the Millwarder and Moorfleth districts. One whole force of aircraft were said to have concentrated on the Blohm and Voss shipyards which are among the most important in Germany.

Other raiders are credited with night attacks on the aerodromes and ports at widely scattered points in German territory. Daylight attacks are reported to have been made on the oil refinery plants at Cologne, Bremen and along the Dortmund-Ems canal.

The Air Ministry said the R.A.F. made "effective destructive attacks" on Saturday on the aerodromes at Rouen, Abbeville and Cambrai, all in north France.

### *A Nazi Denial*

BERLIN, Nov. 17 (UP).—It is denied here that the R.A.F. carried out daylight raids Saturday on Cologne, Bremen and the Dortmund-Ems canal, the London reports being termed as "sheer invention."

## Army Co-operational Command In R.A.F.

### *Changes and Appointments*

**LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Announcing the establishment of a new Command in the R.A.F., the Air Ministry says that the Air Ministry and War Office have considered how best to secure the most effective basis of co-oneration between the Army and the Air Force and a detailed scheme is now being drawn up covering all aspects of Army and air requirements and associated training units.**

The principal feature of the new arrangements is the decision to set up a Command of the R.A.F. to be called the Army Co-operation Command; it will comprise all squadrons allotted to Army formations in the United Kingdom together with associated training units.

The primary function of this Command will be to organise, experiment and train in all forms of co-operation between the two services.

The operational employment of squadrons will rest as hitherto with the Commanders of Army Formations to which they are allotted.

### *Under Air Officer*

The Army Co-operation Command will be under an Air Officer Commander-in-Chief, and a senior Army Officer is being appointed as head of his Air Staff. The Air Staffs of the Command and its subordinate formations will consist of Army and R.A.F. officers in roughly equal proportions.

The formation of this Command, says the Air Ministry, is the outcome of a system of co-operation which has been steadily built between the two services over a long period and the new organisation is designed to accord with the lessons of recent operational experience.

The Army Co-operation Command, with its joint staff, will work in constant association with the Army and Air Force Commands concerned. It will ensure rapid development of army co-operation technique and foster a common understanding of all aspects of inter-service co-operation.

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## Deny War On Thai Border

### Vichy And Hanoi Statements

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

**HANOI, Nov. 17 (UP).—Authorised quarters here have denied the reports that war has broken out on the Thailand border.**

### *No Knowledge*

VICHY, Nov. 17 (UP.)—The French Foreign Office to-day said they have "absolutely no knowledge" in the reports that war has broken out between Thailand and Indo-China.

The Ministry for the Colonies said "We have received absolutely nothing to indicate that there has been any fighting, or even incidents on the border."

"It is known, however, that Thai has mobilised and moved troops to the frontier of Cambodia, and has also concentrated 100 new fighting planes recently delivered from the United States in the region between Korat and the Mekong River."

LATEST

## H 49 Casualties

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—The Admiralty had announced that officers missing from the submarine H49 are as follows:

Lieutenant-in-Command R. Collart, Sub-Lieut. A. Carew-Hunt, Probationary Sub-Lieut. L. H. L. Dearden, and Lieut. C. H. Peterkin.

See Back Page For Further Late News

# Whole of Gabon Part Of Free French Empire

**LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The whole of Gabon, a province adjoining the coast in French Equatorial Africa, is now part of the Free French Empire, states a communique from the London H.Q. of Free France.**

The communique says that the town of the port of Gentil, the second port of Gabon, surrendered without fighting two days after the surrender of Libreville, the capital of the Colony.

A large proportion of the troops who opposed the advance of the Free French forces on Libreville, have now asked permission to join the Free French. The wounded on either side were few.

General de Gaulle visited Libreville on Friday and received the civil and military authorities. He verified that no inhabitants of Libreville were killed or wounded during the "police operations which resulted in Gabon rallying to the Free French Empire."

## Little Likelihood Of Return Of Evacuates' Return At Present

**It has been officially indicated that there is little likelihood of it being possible to allow the return of the Hongkong evacuates in the near future.**

**This is revealed in a letter from the Colonial Secretariat acknowledging the petition of the 147 women in Sydney to be permitted to return to Hongkong. The petition was received by the "Hongkong Telegraph," and forwarded at the request of the petitioners to the Government.**

**Acknowledging receipt of the petition Mr. C. Bramall Burgess, on behalf of the Colony Secretary writes:**

**Sir,—With reference to your letter of the 2nd November with which you forwarded a petition from certain ladies who were evacuated from this Colony and are at present in Australia, I am directed by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government to inform you that the matter dealt with in this petition are at present under consideration and that, while there is little likelihood of it being possible to allow the return of evacuates in the near future, a further reply will be sent as soon as possible after the matter has been fully examined.**

**I am, Sir, your obedient servant,**

**(signed)**

**C. Bramall Burgess.**

# Turmoil In Shanghai: Shot Japanese Dies

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

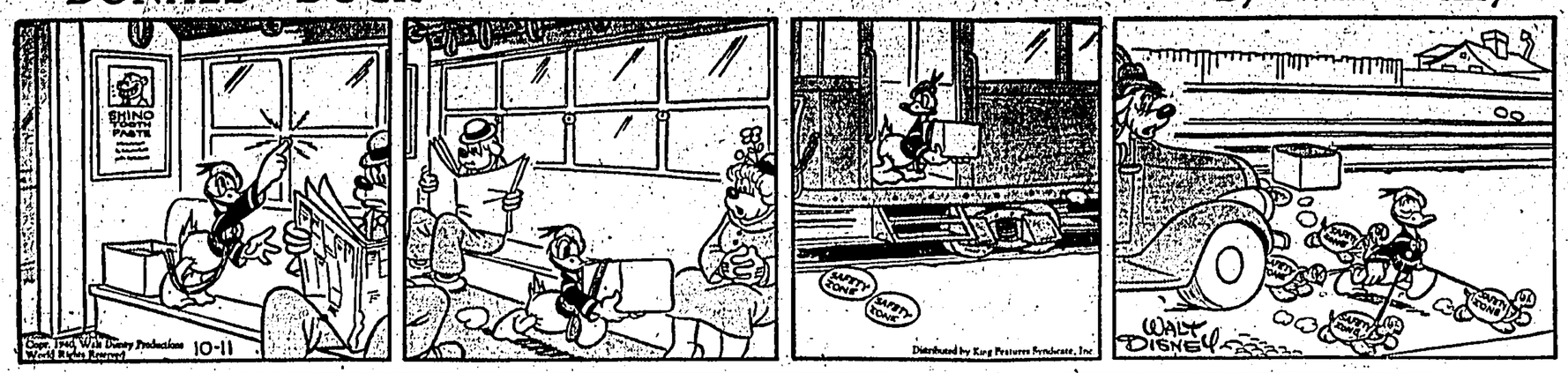
**SHANGHAI, Nov. 17 (UP).—The Japanese army officer who was shot in the Hongkew sector on Saturday has died.**

The Japanese-controlled Hongkew sector and the International Settlement were in a turmoil last night and to-day, as the Japanese Naval Landing Party cordoned Hongkew and herded approximately 2,000 Chinese and Japanese into the Gulsan Gardens (an open park), and then liberated them singly after they had been interrogated.

The Japanese were included in the round-up because of the reports that the gunman or his accomplices shouted words in Japanese language.

Japanese authorities have denied, although they are not willing to issue a formal denial, the unconfirmed Chinese reports which alleged that a Chinese mob stoned Japanese sentries in Chapoo Road, while trying to escape from the Hongkew district. They said the Japanese sentries fired on the mob, killing one Chinese and wounding four.

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The Meeting will be called to order at 7.15 p.m.

Tickets for the dinner, which will follow the close of business will be $5.00 per head.

Dress will be informal.

Hon. Secretary.

Tokyo, Nov. 17.

Continuing the expansion of Japan's air transport service overseas, the Japan Airways Company is inaugurating next spring a new air service between Taihoku in Formosa and Palao in the Japanese Mandated Islands in the South Seas.—*Domei.*

# Canton River Farce: Fatshan Is Held Up

Although Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, agents for the river steamer Fatshan, are unable to resume their Canton service, under the present restrictions, the Japanese steamer Shirogane Maru is scheduled to arrive at Hongkong from Canton on Wednesday.

The manager of the O.S.K. has announced that, according to information received from Canton, the Shirogane Maru will arrive on Wednesday and return to Canton the following day.

The Japanese Consul-General at Hongkong, Mr. K. Okazaki, said during the weekend that the restrictions imposed on ships between Hongkong and Canton have not been modified or lifted.

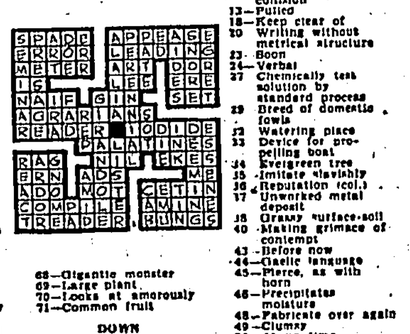
Messrs. Butterfield & Swire have little hope of resuming the service while the present restrictions are enforced. No ship is allowed to carry more than 100 passengers or any cargo, and it is believed that the receipts from 100 passengers would at the most bring in $1,000, compared with the expenditure of at least $3,000 for a single trip.

The Tai Yuen Bank, Ltd., is permitted under the Hongkong Defence (Finance) Regulations to sell Chinese currency and to remit money to China.

# Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

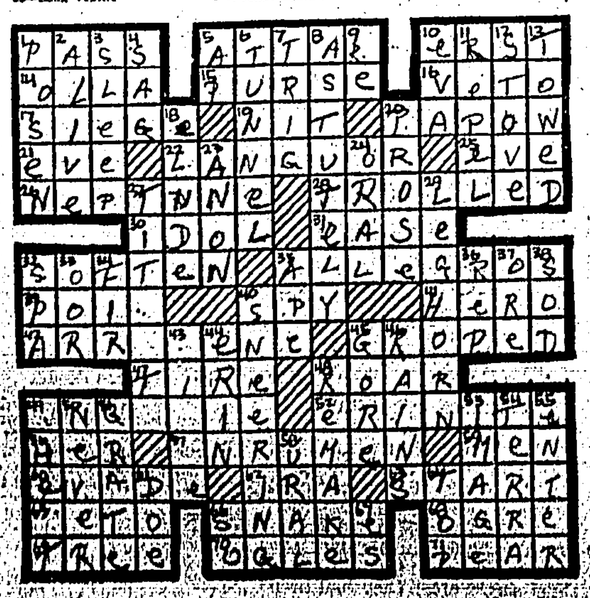


**ACROSS**

1—Go by
6—Oil of roses
10—Long ago
14—Wide-mouthed pit
15—Small bag for carrying money
16—Refuse executive approval to
17—Besieging of town
19—Immature louse
20—Tropical tree
21—Evening before
22—Lassitude of body
23—First woman
26—Planet of solar system
28—Fished by towing hook and line
30—Religious image
31—Comfortable feeling
32—Make tea hard
35—Musical compositions in quick time
39—Bet of two articles
40—Secret agent
41—Leading character
42—Chenille-like embroidery thread
45—Searched uncertainly
47—Become fatigued
48—Bound made by lion
49—Strained to high degree
52—Copper arsenate
56—Wife maiden name of
61—Ker-was
59—Members of human race
60—Avoid
62—Maxim's name
63—Commence
65—Mexican dollar
66—Long reptile
68—Gigantic monster
69—Large plant
70—Looks at amorously
71—Common fruit

**DOWN**

1—Capital of ancient Poland
2—Animated
3—Blunder
4—Droop in middle
5—Prefix: from
6—Underground passageway
7—Skid for braking wheel
8—In shrewd manner
9—Prefix: again
10—Girl's name
11—Push back
12—Make hole by collision
13—Pulled
18—Keep clear of
20—Writing without metrical structure
23—Boon
24—Verbal
27—Chemically test solution by standard process
29—Breed of domestic fowls
32—Watering place
33—Device for propelling boat
34—Evergreen tree
35—Imitate slavishly
36—Reputation (col.)
37—Unworked metal deposit
38—Grassy surface-soil
40—Making grimace of contempt
43—Before now
44—Gaelic language
45—Pierce, as with horn
46—Precipitates moisture
48—Fabricate over again
49—Clumsy
50—At no time
51—Harass in petty way
53—Visible representation
54—The earth
55—Pass inward through
58—River in East Russia
61—Female deer
64—Summit
66—To such a degree
67—Plural suffix



# Air Raid Service Communications

A comprehensive test in the sending and receiving of messages during air raids was carried out at Air Raids Precautions headquarters yesterday, when the essential services, such as Police, Medical, Waterworks and Drainage Departments, assisted the A.R.P. personnel.

Among those present at headquarters test were the Director of A.R.P., Wing-Commander A.H.S. Steele-Perkins, Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue (Commissioner of Police), Hon. Mr. H. J. Pearce (Director of Public Works), Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke (Director of Medical Services), Mr. B. H. Puckle, Col. L. A. Newnham, Mr. M. L. Bevan, who acted as controller, Mr. W. W. C. Shewan, and Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Dunlop, who were in charge of plotting the affected areas.

Messages received from the various centres were taken down in the telephone room on "air raid damage" forms and communicated to the reporting room, where the affected areas were traced and plotted by means of small flags on the district maps. Representative flags were used for types of bombs used, mains and cables damaged, roads blocked, buildings demolished and unexploded bombs, while other flags indicated the sort of assistance required from Police, decontamination, medical, road, water, gas, electrical sewer and telephone repairs, and rescue, demolition and burial parties.

Thirty messages were received from five report centres in the course of the test, which lasted nearly two hours. Over 40 high explosive bombs and several poison gas and incendiary bombs were reported to have been dropped, and the messages indicated the damage, casualties and assistance wanted.

Unexploded bombs were reported from various centres. The poison gas bombs used comprised mustard, phosgene and tear gas.

The exercise, which doubtless provided good training for the wardens in the communicating of damage reports, concluded with the disposal of the last message.

# Son of Ex-Governor And Wife Murdered

**IPOH, Nov. 7.—Perak police are engaged in one of the most intense manhunts of recent years in an endeavour to arrest the person, or persons, who shot dead Mr. Charleton Neville Maxwell and his wife in their bungalow on Maryland Estate, Lumut, last night.**

Mr. Maxwell retired from the Malayan Civil Service as Commissioner of Trade and Customs in 1927, since when he had been engaged in planting activities in the Lumut district.

He was a son of Sir William Maxwell, a former acting Governor of the S.S. and a brother of Sir George Maxwell, a former Chief Secretary to Government, F.M.S. He was 68 years of age.

The shooting is thought to have taken place, after the Maxwells had retired. The bungalow is in an isolated part of the estate and the estate itself is eight miles from the nearest village, Sagiri.

Information was conveyed to the police by a ten-year-old girl who is the adopted child of the Maxwells. She was in the house at the time.

Mr. Maxwell was appointed to the land office in Selangor in 1890 and for three years after this was attached to the Sarawak Civil Service. He served as Private Secretary to his father, who was then Acting Governor of the Colony, in 1893. There have been Maxwells in Malaya since 1856, when Sir Peter Benson Maxwell was appointed Recorder in Penang, becoming Recorder in Singapore in 1860.

On the transfer of the Straits Settlements from the India Office to the Colonial Office in 1867, Sir Peter became Chief Justice. He retired in 1871 and three of his sons joined the Civil Service in the Colony. Of these, Sir William Maxwell, who joined the Service in 1865 and left the Colony in 1894 on promotion to be Governor of the Gold Coast, was the best known.

Mr. Charleton Maxwell, a grandson of Sir Peter, served in the South African war from 1900-1901 winning the Queen's medal with five claspes. —*Singapore Free Press.*

# Hitler Reprisals Against Dies

Washington, Nov. 16.

It is declared here that Hitler has planned reprisals against any disclosures made by the Dies Committee which is investigating un-American activities.

Mr. Martin Dies said that he possessed a 500 page White Paper showing purported Fifth Column activities by German Consuls and agents which he will probably issue within the next few hours. He is obtaining the approval of the other Committeemen. Other reports will be issued later dealing with the activities of Italian agents.—*United Press.*

# WAR FUND REVUE

A bright revue full of topical humour was presented by the Nursing Detachment of the H.K.V.D.C. in aid of the British War Organisation Fund in the lower hall of the Helena May Institute at 9.30 p.m. on Saturday.

A full house with many forced to stand found plenty to laugh at in the entertainment, which was called "Pure and Simple" and was produced by Tim Fortescue.

# Firing Practices Are Being Held To-day

Firing practice as under is notified for to-day, November 18, by the Military authorities:

(a) Heavy Gun Firing Practice will be carried out by Royal Navy from H.M.S. Robin between the hour of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Firing Area "A" will be affected.

(b) Light Gun Firing Practice between 6 p.m. and 12 midnight. Firing Areas "D" and "E" affected.

For November 19.—(a) Heavy Gun Practice between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Firing Areas "A" and "B" affected (b) Heavy Gun Anti-Aircraft Practice in the north-eastern area of the Island between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Firing Area "B" affected. (c) Light Gun Practice between 6 p.m. and 12 midnight. Firing Areas "D" and "E" affected.

Heavy Gun Anti-Aircraft Practice will be carried out in the north-eastern area of the Island between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. on November 20.

For November 21.—(a) Light Gun Firing Practice between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. from two positions on the Island. Firing Areas "A" "B" "C" and "D" will be affected. (b) Heavy Gun Anti-Aircraft Practice in the north-eastern area of the Island between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Firing Area "B" affected. (a) Light Gun Practice between 6 p.m. and 12 midnight. Firing Areas "D" and "E" affected.

For November 22.—(a) Heavy Gun Firing Practice between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Firing Areas "C" and "D" affected. Alternative date November 24. (b) Heavy Gun Anti-Aircraft Practice in the north-eastern area of the Island between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Firing Area "B" affected. (c) Light Gun Practice between 6 p.m. and 12 midnight. Firing Areas "D" and "E" affected.

For November 23.—(a) Heavy Gun Firing Practice between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Firing Areas "A" and "B" affected. Alternative date November 24. (b) Heavy Gun Anti-Aircraft Practice in the north-eastern area of the Island between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Firing Area "B" affected.

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

**1.45 Alfred Campoli and His Orchestra.**

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.02 **Variety with Gloria Grafton, Turner Layton, and Others.**

7.0 **London Relay—The News.**

7.15 **London Relay—'Questions of the Hour.'**

**7.30 Dance Music by Harry Roy and His Orchestra.**

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 This week's programmes.

**8.07 Harry Davidson at the Organ.**

Chu Chin Chow—Selection (Norton), Lilac Time—Selection.

**8.15 London Relay—Variety: 'Hi Gang!'**

**9.0 London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.**

**9.30 Haydn—Quartet in E Major Op. 54, No. 3.**

**9.48 Songs from Oratorios.**

**10.10 Piano Solos by Anatole Kitain.**

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# Kowloon Catholics' Charity Function

Good support was given to the parochial bazaar held by the Catholic Ladies' Association yesterday at the Little Flower Club, King's Park, in aid of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. All the prizes were donated by friends and the helpers gave voluntary service.

The bazaar was opened in the afternoon by Mgr. H. Valtorta, Vicar Apostolic.

In the evening the grounds were illuminated with coloured lights.

The Hot Dog and Aerated Water Stall was run by Mesdames C. E. Marques, P. A. Yvanovich, G. M. C. Sequeira, L. M. Xavier and F. X. Monteiro. Other stalls were run by Miss M. D'Almada e Castro and friends; admission tickets were supervised by members of the Rosary Church Conference; Lucky Well was run by Miss Aurea Baptista, Tea stall and 10 cents and 50 cents stalls by members of the Catholic Ladies' Association; Wheel by Mrs. Triggs and friends; and Dice by Miss Cita Xavier and friends.

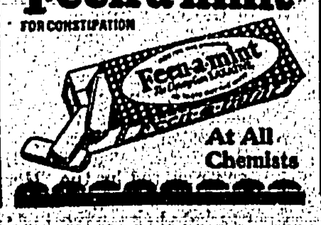
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Parcel Post Service to Canton is emporarily suspended.

The Imperial Airways Service between Hongkong and Bangkok is temporarily suspended. Air mail correspondence will be accepted at the existing rates of postage and will be forwarded by the first opportunity by steamer to Singapore to connect with the east and west bound air services.

An air mail service providing a connection with British Overseas Airways at Rangoon will be available during the period of suspension of the Hongkong-Bangkok Service. The postage rates for all destinations will be $1.50 per ½ oz. for letters and $0.75 each for postcards. Mail for this service should be superscribed "Via Rangoon" and bear the usual blue air mail label.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

**INWARD MAILS**

Java .....Nov. 18.
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Canada, U.S.A., Japan, and Shanghai —(Vancouver B.C., date, 2nd November). .....Nov. 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 25th October) Nov. 21.
Java and Manila .....Nov. 23.
London and Straits .....Nov. 24.
London and Straits .....Nov. 25.

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**Monday, Nov. 18**

Sandakan .....1.30 p.m.
Rangoon .....3.30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Nov. 19**

Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

K.P.O.
Reg. .....Nov. 19, 10 a.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 19, 10.30 a.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. .....Nov. 19, 10 a.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 19, 10.30 a.m.

Straits and Calcutta
Par. .....Nov. 19, 10.30 a.m.
Let. .....Nov. 19, 11.30 a.m.

**Thursday, Nov. 21**

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

K. P. O.
Reg. .....Nov. 21, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 21, 5.30 p.m.
G. P. O.
Reg. .....Nov. 21, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 21, 7.00 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and South Africa .....7 p.m.

Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

Kowloon P. O.
Reg., .....Nov. 21, 5.00 p.m.
Ord., .....Nov. 21, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg., .....Nov. 21, 5.00 p.m.
Ord., .....Nov. 21, 7.00 p.m.

**Friday, Nov. 22**

Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

K.P.O.
Reg. .....Nov. 22, 4 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 22, 4.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. .....Nov. 22, 4 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 22, 4.30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Nov. 26**

Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya 8.30 a.m.

Straits and Calcutta
Parcels, .....Nov. 26, 1 p.m.
Letters .....Nov. 26, 2 p.m.

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island.
K. P. O.
Reg. .....Nov. 26, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 26, 5.30 p.m.
G. P. O.
Reg. .....Nov. 26, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 26, 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, Nov. 27**

Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and South Africa and United Kingdom
K. P. O.
Parcels, .....Nov. 27, 5 p.m.
Reg. .....Nov. 27, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 28, 8.30 a.m.
G. P. O.
Parcels, .....Nov. 27, 5 p.m.
Reg. .....Nov. 27, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 28, 8.30 a.m.

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# Hongkong News of the Week

## A Page For The Evacuees



## Sunday

*November 10*

**Remembrance Day.** Remembrance Sunday was celebrated to-day at the St. John's Cathedral and St. Andrew's Church, when special prayers of intercession were said for those who gave up their lives for their country in the last war. The two churches were crowded. The Rev. J. R. Higgs conducted the service at St. Andrew's, while at the Cathedral the Dean, the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson was the preacher. His Excellency the Governor, Lieut.-General E. F. Norton, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., attended by Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, A.D.C., were present at the Cathedral service, and among the congregation were Major-General A. E. Grasett, D.S.O., M.C., the General Officer Commanding, attended by Capt. R. E. T. St. John, A.D.C., Rear-Admiral A. M. Peters, the Commodore and Sir Atholl MacGregor, the Chief Justice. His Excellency the Governor read the second lesson. Collections at both churches were for Earl Haig's Fund.

**Wins Golf Tourney.** F. D. Hunter, with a card of 75 and 73 (148) won the Jasper Clark Cup golf competition at Fanling to-day, and simultaneously won the Royal Hongkong Golf Club title. T. A. Pearce, the Colony champion, was second with an aggregate of 150. L. R. Andrewes had the best return on the Old Course with a 75 and K. S. Robertson and S. Tomlinson tied for the best card on the New Course with 79

**Volunteers' Lawn Bowls.** Matches in the quarter and semi-finals of the Volunteer Inter-Unit bowls competition for the "China Mail" Cup were decided to-day. Results:

**Quarter-Finals**

At Recrelo, A.S.C. Coy. A beat First Battery A, 28-8.

F. Cullen, W. Hyde, J. G. Meyer and E. Kern (A.S.C. A) beat P. Morrison, J. R. Carr, B. L. Bickford and J. Watson (1st. Batty).

At Kowloon Cricket Club, 5th. A.A. Battery beat Field Engineers A 20-14.

W. Melrose, R. Main, R. M. Keown and V. C. Chalmers (5th. A.A.) beat L. Sykes, J. Bottomley, J. L. Stephens and A. Spary (Field Engineers).

**Semi-Finals**

At Kowloon Football Club 5th A.A. Battery beat No. 6 Coy A 17-16.

W. Melrose, R. Main, R. M. Keown and V. C. Chalmers (5th A.A.) beat J. Luz, H. Alves, J. F. Ribeiro and F. Ribeiro (No. 6 Coy).

At Kowloon Cricket Club, A.S.C. Coy. A beat Field Engineers C 21-16.

F. Cullen, W. Hyde, J. G. Meyer and E. Kern beat A. M. Calman, J. G. Ozorio, R. Lapsley and Morrison (Field Engineers).

**School Experiment.** At a meeting of the Board of Education held in the Board Room of the Bank of East Asia, the Board considered proposed amendments to the Draft of Part IV of the new Grant Code dealing with regulations concerning admission, attendance, and curriculum as put forward by the Grant Schools Council. Certain changes were agreed to, and the amended form of Part IV of the Code was unanimously approved by the Board.

Consideration was given to a memorandum of the Vernacular Education Sub-Committee on the question of permitting separate morning and afternoon sessions in Chinese Primary Vernacular Schools.

After discussion it was unanimously agreed that under existing conditions in view of the large number of refugees in the Colony, the experiment of "two-division" schools appears to be justifiable as a temporary measure subject to the following restrictions.

(1) The experiment be confined to Lower and Higher Primary Vernacular Schools.

(2) The length of the scheme should be limited, permission to continue to be requested at the end of each school year.

(3) Each child should have a minimum of 22 hours schooling per week.

(4) No teacher should be employed in the schools for more than 30 hours each week.

(5) Any consequent changes in the curriculum to be subject to the approval of the Director of Education. New time-tables, which must be submitted, to show clearly how the number of periods or length of periods has been reduced.

(6) Permission to operate "two-division" schools must not be used as an argument against building additional or new premises as soon as circumstances permit.

(7) All schools desiring to operate on a "two-division" system must obtain the previous permission of the Director.

Mr. C. A. Goodhart, M.A., who has been nominated by the Hongkong Grant Schools Council, is to be a member of the Board of Education for a period of two years with effect from Novem-

## Monday

*November 11*

**New Evacuation Plan.** The following communique regarding evacuation was issued by the Hongkong Government to-day.

In certain eventualities it may become necessary to organise the evacuation of such women and children irrespective of race as wish to leave the Colony and for whom a refuge can be found.

It is evident that the question of finding the requisite ships may be difficult if notice is short, and that, in fact, demand may exceed supply.

It is important therefore to have a carefully prepared plan well in advance of any such emergency.

The policy of the Government is to provide transport accommodation in the following order of priority, for those who wish to go:

(a) Wives and children of members of combatant forces, irrespective of race.

(b) Wives and children, irrespective of race, of those who work would be necessarily exposed, such as the Police Force, Fire Brigade, A.R.P. Services, certain medical services, employees of the Royal Naval Dockyard, etc.

(c) All others irrespective of race.

As the numbers involved are impossible to estimate it is essential that some roster of priority be prepared. It has therefore been arranged to provide a card to be filled in by those who wish to avail themselves when the time comes of any such organised after the 18th day of November on application at the headquarters of the various organisations given above and also at the General Post Office for those in the last category.

After a card has been completed by a person whose husband is in one of the organisations in categories (a) or (b) it should be handed in to the headquarters of that organisation. If the person is in the last category the card should be passed over the counter at the General Post Office where it will be stamped with the date and time of receipt.

A priority list as regards the last category will be compiled from such written applications in the order in which the cards are received at the General Post Office where a date and time of receipt will be stamped.

After the analysis of the above lists it will be possible to examine the possibility of providing transport and

### "Men Of Harlech:" Hongkong Version

*With Acknowledgments To "Argus"*

Men of Hongkong, lonely, thwarted,
Whether we be drawn and quartered
We demand our dear deported.
Desperation drives.
We don't care for wars or famine
We want no excuse, no gammon.
Bachelor fun with to much Jamon's
Ruining our lives.
All our pleas rejected—
Fallacies erected.
We prefer
To be with her
We'd rather have them back and be henpecked.
All together
Let us blether!
Let us not be baulked by why or whether.
Are we men or are we wethers?
Give us back our wives.

accommodation for the refugees for those who have nowhere to go.

It must be made clear that the decision as to when such a scheme is put into force must rest with the Hongkong Government. Once the order to put it into operation has been given anyone who refuses accommodation offered will automatically go to the bottom of the list.

Although the application card offers an invitation to give the choice of the place of destination no undertaking can be given that a person will be transported to such place. It may be mentioned that the Colony of Fiji has already expressed its readiness to accept evacuees of Chinese race to the number of 500.

Whilst Government undertakes to defray the cost of transport to destination of refuge it is probable that evacuees themselves will have to arrange for the cost of their own maintenance thereafter.

**Armistice Day.**—Armistice Day was observed this year without the customary military parade and public commemorations, such as gathering of schoolchildren. As in former years, however, wreaths were laid in remembrance of the fallen at the Cenotaph and Chinese War Memorial and prayers were offered in the Churches.

His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lt.-General E. F. Norton, accompanied by his A.D.C., Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, laid a wreath of Flanders poppies at the Cenotaph at 9.15 a.m., and then proceeded to the Chinese War Memorial at the Botanic Gardens where he laid another wreath.

Among those present at the Gardens to witness the informal ceremony were the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North (Secretary for Chinese Affairs), the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Mr. W. N. T. Tam, Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins (Labour Officer), Mr. T. F. Lo (Chairman of the Po Leung Kuk), Mr. Lee Yu-cheung (Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospitals Committee), Messrs. Y. K. Chow, Lam Ming-fan, Yeung Ngok-fai, P. C. Kwok, Kan Man (members of the Tung Wah Hospitals' Committee), Messrs. Fok Po-chol and Cheung Man-tung (members of the Po Leung Kuk Committee), and Inspector G. W. Moreton (Officer-in-charge of the District Watch Force).

Wreaths were also laid by the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, and the Hon. Mr. W. N. T. Tam, the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, and on behalf of the Tung Wah Hospitals, Po Leung Kuk and the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade.

**Wreaths Laid at Cenotaph**

At 11 a.m. the President of the Hongkong and China Branch of the British Legion, Mr. A. W. Hughes, and Mr. F. C. Hall, laid a wreath at the Cenotaph. Others in the official party were Messrs. G. G. N. Tinson, H. V. Wilkinson, D. Kossick, F. G. Maunder, Major C. M. Manners, and Mr.C. Trott, representing the Merchant Navy.

A wreath from the Royal Scots was laid by Lt.-Col. D. J. McDougall, accompanied by Lieut. and Quartermaster J. R. Pirie, the procession including Sgt. Fraser, R. S. M. Goodfellow, Sgt. McAlpine, C. S. M. Stanford, C. S. M. Milne and Pte. Jardine.

A wreath from the Free Frenchmen of Hongkong was also laid by Mr. L. Blau, who was accompanied by Messrs. A. Morant, E. Grivaud and E. Strauss.

Other wreaths were laid by M. Louis Reynaud, Consul General for France; Hongkong Rotary Club, represented by Dr. Arthur Woo, Prof. R. C. Robertson and Lt. Col. E. S. Doughty; President, Committee and members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders; Hongkong Police; President, Members and Committee of St. George's Society; Union Church; Boy Scout's Association; Toc H. Kowloon Circle; the Commodore, Officers and men of H. M. Ships and Naval Establishments; the G. O. C. and All Ranks, British Troops in China; "Albuhera"; Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation; the Hon. Sir. R. Kotewall, the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Tam, and the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo; Taikoo; China Coast Officers' Guild and Marine Engineers Guild of China; George Watson; R. A. F.; Hongkong Girl Guides; Australian and New Zealand Association; St. John Ambulance Brigade; Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, represented by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson; Hongkong Cricket Club Mr. Paul V. MacLean, Canadian Trade Commissioner and Ewo Shore and Floating staff.

**Armistice Day Cricket.** Two all-day matches between the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Hongkong Cricket Club were played to-day, resulting in both instances in easy wins for the K.C.C. On their own ground the H.K.C.C. seniors were dismissed for 70 (D. J. N. Anderson 3 for 4, N. D. Lloyd 4 for 33), to which the K.C.C. replied with 100 for 6 dec. (N. A. E. Mackay 35, F. R. Zimmern 37). The K.C.C. juniors beat their visitors by 102 runs. The home side scored 213 for 9 dec. (J. Macauley 87, K. M. Baxter 50, L. R. Birch 30). The Cricket Club were out for 111 (Baldwin 4 for 44, Curtis 3 for 28).

**Poppy Day Football.** In the annual Poppy Day football match the Rest of the League beat the Combined Services by three goals to nil. His Excellency the Governor attended the match, which attracted a huge crowd and produced a handsome contribution towards the Poppy Day Fund.

## Tuesday

*November 12*

**Birth.** The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Tod of 299 The Peak will be interested to read the following announcement which appeared in "The Times" on September 19

"SYMONS—On September 13, 1940 at Wingfield Nursing Home, Plymouth, to Margaret (nee Tod) wife of Capt. J. W. D. Symons, R.A., a son.

**Children's Home.** The Fanling Children's Home has welcomed another 123 children with their mothers. There are now 33 in the Home and they have all settled down very happily amidst the attractive rural surroundings" of Fanling. The first batch of 84 children from the Po Leung Kuk were transferred to the Matauchung Camp on Monday, and it is understood that a further batch of 100 will be transferred to the camp shortly, thus reducing the congestion at the Po Leung Kuk.

### *Review Of The Principal Topics November 10 To Nov. 16*

## Wednesday

*November 13*

**Death of Young Soldier.** The funeral of Signalman W. A. Taylor, of the Hongkong Signal Company, who died on Tuesday at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road, following a brief illness, took place at the Colonial Cemetery, Happy Valley, today. Full military honours were accorded.

Signalman Taylor, who was only 21 years old, had been stationed in Hongkong for three years. He was a member of the Signals water polo team. His home in England was in Kenilworth, Warwickshire.

The service was conducted by the Rev. S. Hinchliffe, Army Chaplain. The deceased's brother, Lance Corporal A. Taylor of the Hongkong Signal Company, was the chief mourner. Those present included Lieut.-Col. E. Levett, the Chief Signal Officer, Major L. Hayes, Officer Commanding the Hongkong Signal Company, and other officers.

**River Reopening Farce.** Under present Japanese requirements it will take passengers nine days to reach Canton from Hongkong instead of the normal seven hours, shipping circles believe.

The requirements put forward by the Japanese for resumption of passenger traffic on November 20 call for four days quarantine on arrival at Macao Fort, Canton, and the formalities to be completed before a passenger can leave Hongkong will take four days. The trip will account for another day.

**Fewer Refugees.** A decrease of 389 persons was shown in the figures supplied by the Medical authorities showing the position in the Hongkong refugee camps on November 9, as compared with November 2. Figures for November 9 were given below with those for November 2 in brackets:

King's Park 1,286 (1,304); Matauchung 1,161 (1,502); North Point 1,306 (1,384); Morrison Hill 530 (539), Tai Hang Squatters Camp 2,557 (2,557); Ngau Tau-Kok Squatters Camp 797 (798), Kam Tin 1,836 (1,970). The Fanling Children's Camp which was opened on November 3 is now holding 180 inmates.

Soldiers.—Argyle Street 704 (708); in hospital 18 (15).

The grand total on November 9 was 10,491, as compared with 10,877 on November 2.

**Plenty of Water.** According to the monthly report issued by the Water Authority, the storage in the Island reservoirs at the end of October was 1,075.38 million gallons as against 1,050.81 million gallons at the same date last year. In Kowloon, the contents were 2,869.07 million gallons, compared with 3,212.03 million gallons last October.

During the month the consumption in Hongkong totalled 592.69 million gallons (including 246.46 million gallons from Kowloon and 7.02 million gallons of unfiltered water) by an estimated population of 830,000 at the rate of 23 gallons per head per day, as against 521.03 million gallons by 960,000 people (including villages) at 18.2 gallons per head per day in October, 1939.

The consumption in Kowloon and New Kowloon, excluding Lai Chi Kok Water Boat Dock, totalled 408.53 million gallons by an estimated population of 770,000 at the rate of 17.1 gallons per head per day, compared with 367.51 million gallons by 890,000 persons at 13.3 gallons per head per day last year. The Lai Chi Kok Water Boat Dock consumed 0.14 million gallons as against 5.01 million gallons, while consumption of unfiltered water in villages (independent supplies) totalled 15.01 million gallons, compared with 13.48 million gallons.

Throughout last month, both in Hongkong and Kowloon, there was a constant supply, whereas in October, 1939, only a 17-hour supply was provided. The reports of the Government Bacteriologist and Analyst show that the quality of the water on both sides of the Harbour was excellent.

## Thursday

*November 14*

**St. Andrew's Society.** Mr. B. Wylie was elected Chieftain of the St. Andrew's Society for the ensuing year when the annual meeting of the Society was held to-day. The Vice-President is Mr. J. F. MacGregor. It was decided that celebration of St. Andrew's Day by the Scottish community this year be confined to the laying of a wreath at the Cenotaph and that the main observance will be the usual Burns Night Dinner on January 25. There will be no St. Andrew's Ball this year.

**Immigration Office.** An announcement concerning the opening of the new Immigration Office and the probable date when the restrictions will be enforced was broadcast by Z.B.W. to-day. The announcement stated:

"The Immigration Office will be opened at 9 a.m. on November 18 for the purpose of issuing frontier passes, entry permits and certificates of residence.

"It is expected the restrictions on immigration will be put into force on December 17 and any persons not in possession of passports and are leaving with the intention of returning after that date are advised to make early use of this opportunity to provide themselves with the appropriate document to enable them to return without inconvenience. Any documents taken out before December 17 will be so dated as to be valid for the full period of their validity from December 17.

"Forms of application with full details of the requirements of the new scheme may be obtained from the Staff at the Immigration Office Marina House, Queen's Road Central, from November 18. Employers are asked to convey the above information to their servants.

**Home Nursing.** The following candidates satisfied the examiners at the Home Nursing examinations held on October 28 and 31, and will receive their St. John Ambulance certificates in due course:

Daisy Turner, Jessie Knox, Sarah Logan, Margaret Guttinger, Tatiana Olifinsky, Eileen Medley, Carolyn Howell, Winifred Margrett, Mary Donnelly, Mary Stalker, Mona Turnbull, Chan Jeanne, Mary Kelley, Guillamine Van der Laan, Elizabeth Gibbins, Dorothy Brazier, Jean Oppen, Vera Gavriloff, Dorothy Ascough, Clemtina Cock, Margaret Starling, Lily Chan, Agnes Peters, Marjorie Grindley, Sarah Abdullah, Mary Fielder, Anna Budaglan, Vera Weill, Jean Armstrong, Mabel Sully, Lena Glover, Florence Lammert, Mary Sleap, Eliza'eth Pearse, Frances Orilvie, Alice Tester, Lily Franklin, Dora Simpson, Lily Paul, Mary Bander, Sister St. Gertrude, Lucy Suffad, Christine Corra, Marjorie Fordham, Jane Fraser, Peggy Sharp, Margaret Hearson, Pamela Turnbull, Leah Hawkett, Ena Alves, Kathleen Rosselet, Madeline Haynes, Sonia Hobbs, Sister St. Cecile, Dora Glanville, Amy Bander, Alice Maitland, Maria Wilhemina Graf, Mary Manuk Mary Lo, Marjory Stunrt, Leopoldine Corra, Sophie Costides, Winifred Deane, Mutal Fielder, Frances Webber, Gudrun Helberg, Doris Lemmon, Florence Allison and Norah Witchell.

The following members have now completed their 96 hours hospital training in the wards and have gained their Proficiency certificate: Lydia Bonch, Mollie Blake, Olga Bateman, Ethel Barron, Margaret Buckley, Bertha Oryan, Mary Campbell, Winnie Cox, Chue Choh-ling, Mary Frederick, Edna Grant, Mary Hancock, Kan Lai-wah, Salvant Kor, Luk Sz-ho, Sophia Low, Jane Lambert, Gertrude Macgregor, Kathleen Martin, Winifred Phillips, Phoon Kwai-fong, Claire Reynaud, Emma Raymond, Dorothy Shilston, Jeannette Shrigley, Vera Silcocks, Louise Silas, Eileen Tinson and Marie Young.

**Small-pox in Hongkong.** The Medical and Health Authorities have signalled the first case of Small-pox in Hongkong since last spring, when the epidemic of 1939-1940 came to an end.

The victim is a female child of three years of age, whose body was deposited in Conduit Road to-day. It is to be noted that it is the practice to cremate all such dumped bodies.

The Authorities appeal to members of the public to report all suspicious cases of the disease to the nearest Health Officer and to secure for themselves, and especially for their children, the protection afforded by anti-Small-pox vaccination. It is advised that re-vaccination should be performed at intervals of not more than three years.

### POPPY DAY



**Though evacuation meant there were fewer helpers than ever before, those who collected on behalf of Earl Haig's Fund on Poppy Day in Hongkong did their work nobly and contributed in no small degree to the achievement of a record collection. Here we see Mrs. B. S. Carter and Mrs. Langston, two of the ladies who worked all day in disposing of the poppies.**—*Ming Yuen.*

## Friday

*November 15*

**Comedy Thriller At K.C.C.** Produced under the direction of Cecil Houghton, a first-rate comedy-thriller was presented to-night at the Kowloon Cricket Club, when His Excellency the Governor, Lieut-Gen. E. F. Norton was among the audience. The cast comprised Harry Cockle, Vic Labrum, Day Snee, L. R. Birch, W. W. Parsons, G. G. Davies, and Bob Leigh. Those who assisted in the production were Sidney Minshall (stage manager), Frank Conner (lighting), Victor Mamak (make-up), Bob Howard (prompt), Tom Carr (house manager). Cecil Houghton, in addition to producing the play designed the settings, assisted by E. Upton and Shing. During the evening a small orchestra from the Royal Scots played an overture and entracte music. The play was presented again the following two nights.

**Wild Dogs at Large.** A pack of wild dogs which were observed about two years ago in the Tytam area and were later reported to have wandered to Deep Water Bay and then later to Pokfulam valley, are now in the vicinity of Shek-O. Within the past few days they have "savaged" several pet dogs and one of these belonging to Mr. C. Blaker succumbed, while another, owned by Mr. J. P. Whitham was badly injured and only saved from death by the intervention of the house servants. It is believed that the pack numbers seven, but they usually carry out their attacks in a group of three or four. Children are warned not to be allowed to wander in the hills.

The history of the pack is interesting. A full description of the animals was given by the writer of Nature Jottings in the "South China Morning Post" about a couple of years ago, the animals then numbering seven, being led by a fine-looking Alsatian dog. The other members of the pack appeared to be cross-bred animals, mainly black in colour, with one or two brown ones. After attacks had been made on pet dogs in Deep Water Bay region, the Police early last year tried to deal with the pack, but apparently without success. These half-wild dogs were originally observed to be hunting the barking deer at Tytam; and the supply of deer having apparently given out, they moved further afield.

This summer they killed some pigs at the Dairy Farm premises in Pokfulam valley, but for some weeks nothing has been heard of them. It is most unlikely that another pack has suddenly come into existence on the island, so the animals seen at Shek-O are almost certainly the same pack, which has sought new hunting grounds.

**No amahs for Evacuees.** The Colonial Secretary issued the following communique this afternoon:

It is notified for general information that a communication has been received by the Hongkong Government from Australia to the effect that the question of the admission into Australia of Chinese amahs who wish to enter the services of evacuees from Hongkong, has been given very careful consideration by the Minister of the Interior, but that it has been decided by the Australian Government that servants of Chinese race cannot be admitted to Australia for this purpose.

## Saturday

*Novebzer 17*

**Wedding.** The marriage of Miss Ethel Hope Banker, eldest daughter of the late Mr. George Banker, and Mrs. M. Banker of 5, Peace Avenue, Homuntin, and Mr. William C. Low, only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Low of Edgehill, Liverpool, took place to-day at St. Andrew's Church. The bride was given away by Mr. S. E. Green, her uncle. She wore a creation of angel skin lace, cut on princess lines, with train at the back. She carried a bouquet of white gladioli. Miss Joyce Banker her sister was bridesmaid and she wore a frock of pale pink taffeta, with a bouquet of gladioli to match. The bride's mother attended the ceremony in an elegant gown of French crep-de-chine in deep wine town.

**Postal Censorship.** According to a notification in to-day's "Gazette", individuals are not permitted to send out of the Colony through the post newspapers or newspaper cuttings. However, newspaper publishers may send papers and books in proper covers. It is pointed out that violation of this new regulation permits the authorities to destroy or dispose of in any manner thought fit the particular newspaper, newspaper cutting, or book.

**Record Poppy Day Collections.** It is announced by the Secretary of the British Legion Earl Haig's Fund that the Hongkong Poppy Day collections this year broke all records. The total up to to-day had reached $25,446.61.

**Hongkong St. Leger.** Only two ponies took part in the Hongkong St. Leger at the Happy Valley to-day, O-Lan beating Dupont Boy by a short head after a thrilling race. F. V. Needa rode the winner. Burford, expected to win the event, had to be withdrawn just before the race owing to lameness.

**Impersonation Charge.** A charge of impresonating a police officer at Wyndham Street was read out against Marquis Ablong, 20, of King's Road when he appeared at the Central Magistracy to-day. the case was remanded until the following Tuesday.

**Evacuation Petition.** A meeting of the Evacuation Registration Committee was held last night at the Peninsula Hotel after which the following communique was issued by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. C. Clemo: "The main points of the petition were approved and the final drafting is now in hand."

**Hospitals for Kowloon.** It is reported that Government is preparing sites in Kowloon for a Government general hospital and an infectious diseases hospital. Construction on the latter is expected to be started first. The new proposed general hospital will accommodate between 500 and 600 beds, while the infectious diseases hospital will have provision for at least 240 beds, with means for expansion to make accommodation for double that number. It is proposed to construct the new general hospital on a site immediately behind the present Kowloon Hospital. The infectious diseases hospital will be built on a lower level at the Kowloon Medical Centre. This is between the present hospital and the Chinese soldiers' internment camp.

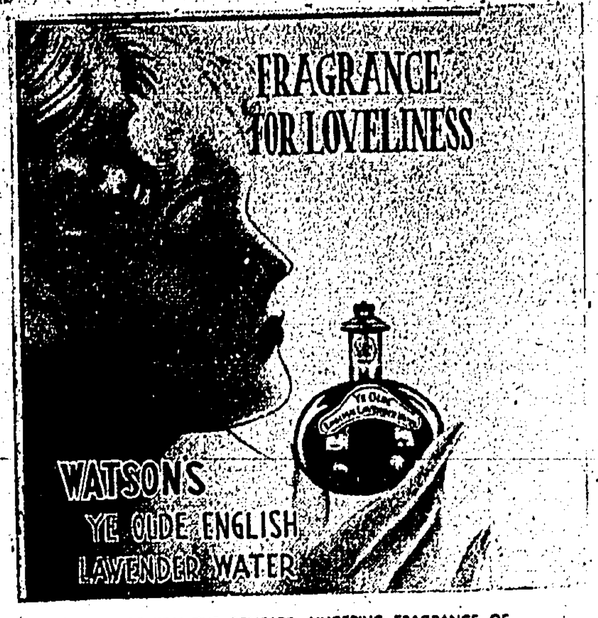
### HUSBANDS' PROTEST MEETING



**At least 1,000 husbands gathered in the Ball Room of the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, November 8 to attend a public protest against the new evacuation decision and to submit a petition to the Home Government (the evacuees). This flashlight picture gives some idea of the crowd.**

### 'Erbert 'Iggs Drops A Line To The 'ongkong Evacuates

*deer evaciates*
*the editer arsked me ter drop yu gals a few lines jest ter say everyfings honkytonk in honky-konk and we orl opes yore orl gettin on orlrite darn in the antipathies.*
*wun fing i kin tell yer—dont worry abart the ole men up here becos theyre orlrite but i dont fink many ov em is goin in for birth control and the darky form of bloke say e's wild enuff as it is*
*than enyfing else since yu was evacuated.*
*corlovaduck i orlways thort a grass widder was the wife ov a vegitarean befor yu went darn the antipathies.*
*onest ter goodnis tho i kin tell ori of yer the ole absents in honkong is ori in the pink and roots more i dont see no chance ov enyone bein back—not ov enyone bein back by the looks ov sum of the ministring angles wot ive seen ararnd ere.*
*yu will note (i cerld yu edyucates the editer sez thats the proper word to use but i finks there orter be 3 words—edyucates-educ-ainly and expurt-worrits.*
*Well look arter yore little ole hatts yore bitter halfs*




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## NAZI HEALTH & MORALE

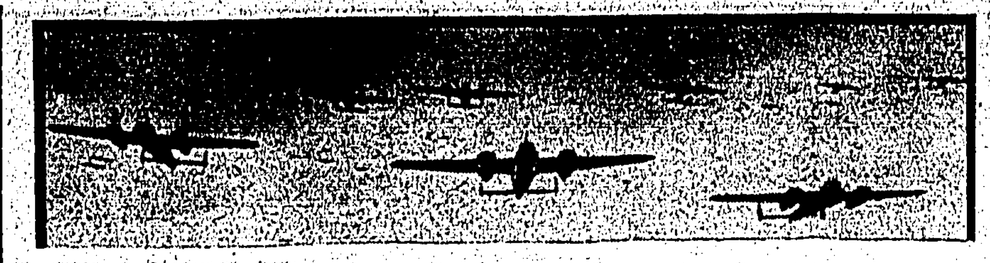
GERMAN morale is notoriously low when things go badly. So said a foreign correspondent lately; and there have been various examples which support this statement. Moreover, when people have been sustained in a long war on undiluted falsehood, all glorifying themselves, the reaction is certain to be violent when the truth is suddenly thrust upon them.

In a recent book, "Heil Hunger," written by Dr. Martin Gumpert, a German now in the United States, it is stated that the Third Reich has achieved the mournful distinction of heading the international tables of suicide statistics. It cannot be an accident that in Germany 4.1 out of every ten thousand take their own lives, while in America the figure is 1.4 per ten thousand The number of patients in the mental and and nervous sanatoria of Germany has almost doubled since 1923.

The statistics in this book are drawn from official documents which seem somehow to have escaped the notice of the Nazi leaders. Dr. Gumpert seeks, by facts, to destroy the legend of the power-radiating healthfulness of the Third Reich and to expose it as the propaganda lie which it is. He seeks to demonstrate clearly that Fascism produces not health, but sickness, that it is the unhealthiest and most unwholesome political system ever born in the brain of man.

The author's final indictment is a long list of evils that the regime has brought upon Germany—an increased death-rate, a falling birth-rate, a declining fecundity, an increase in rickets, the physical incapacity of the youth, a growing criminality, an increase in drunkenness, a doubling of mental diseases, an increase in venereal diseases, a rise in tuberculosis for man and beast, an increase in epidemics, food poisoning—and many more.

It is a formidable list of evils, but there is no good reason for doubting its accuracy. What is to be expected of a country in which every form of intellectual freedom is [illegible]



# All The Bombers Do Not Reach London

IT was just like what you read in the papers. We were having tea on the porch, facing the drowsy lawn, the wide savannah of fields that stretch away to the creek, the estuary and the sea. Not a sound beneath the heat of the afternoon.

Someone said, "You wouldn't think there was a war on," when out of the sky came the drilling drone of aeroplanes. At first we could not locate them, then someone said, "Good Lord, look!"

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Almost overhead, at a height of a few thousand feet, three V-shaped formations of planes were advancing steadily like fish moving against the stream.

"They must be British, flying as low as that. . . ."

"They're bombers . . . going towards London . . . they're German . . .!"

"Can't be—they wouldn't allow them to get so far inland."

We counted them—41 . . . 50.

"What's that? Look!"

Out of the clouds two gnat-like things came tumbling, straightened out and streaked after the tail of the ugly black fish.

"Pop, pop, pop, pop."

"Oh, they're Jerries all right. The Spitfires are after them."

"What? Those two boys attacking that formation?"

Then the air was suddenly alive with dancing gnats. "Pop, pop, pop, pop."

"Come in under the verandah. You'll be hit by one of the bullets."

Then, "just like what you read in the papers" (and, maybe, doubt), the great black armada turned tail, wheeled like scared birds, and now they were thundering back home, directly overhead.

"Heavens! If they drop something for spite!"

But they didn't. And now the lane was alive with people who had come out of their dug-outs. "Hurrah!"

"Hi! Hi! There's one coming down in flames. The black machine came tumbling down, turning and twisting, red flame streaming from its wounded side. It flattened out, disappeared behind the tree-tops of Wendell's farm, and, a moment later, a great column of black smoke curled up to the sky.

**By Neil Macintyre**

"The poor boys inside," said a woman, "even if they are Jerries!"

"Hi! there's a parachute!"

High above the retreating armada, the swarm of harrying gnats still on its tail, a thing like a white jelly-fish was drifting downwards.

Somebody had field glasses. Through them you could see the tiny figure of a man, swaying, kicking. He was drifting towards the creek.

A black object came floating down towards us. It fell outside the gate. We rushed to inspect it. It was a piece of fabric, cheap, ersatz rubber, part of the floor covering of the burning plane. We divided it in sections as souvenirs. It was warm and sticky.

"It'll make a mat for the frying pan," said Mrs. Budford.

In the excitement we had lost sight of the parachutist. But Mr. Warden, who works for Mayell's farm, appeared at the top of the lane shouting. "He's coming down at the creek. They machine-gunned me!"

Young Wardell rushed out of the house in shirt and trousers, carrying his rabbit gun. Old Mrs. Wardell appeared with the dinner knives in her hand.

"You run down the lane and tell the Guards," she said to one of the lads.

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Young Wardell and Mr. Warden were already legging across the field towards the creek.

Rather courageous of old Warden, we thought, unarmed.

The Home Guard were running up the lane, hiking their equipment over their shoulders. Young Tom Evans, the builder's man, was first.

"You forgot the carving knife, ma," he called out to Mrs. Wardell as he ran past. They went scouting over the field. We watched them, tiny figures on the river wall.

When they came back they reported that the parachutist had landed in the creek. "He got out on the other side."

We'd hoped he would suddenly emerge from our bushes. We'd have asked him in to tea.

Going home on the train we saw the crashed Messerschmitt in a field beside the line. It was a burst of charred fragments. Soldiers guarding it gave the train the "thumbs-up" sign.

"It's just like what you read in the papers," said the man in the corner. "If I hadn't seen it I wouldn't have believed it."

# Britain's War Medals Mean Something . . .

THERE is one branch of war production in which we do not try to compete with Germany—the manufacture of medals.

When Britain gives a medal it means something; it is something to be treasured for the rest of the recipient's life—and by his descendants.

So it comes about that in the first year of war only 1,746 awards have been made among the three Services apart from the Empire Gallantry Medal, Order of the British Empire awards and lesser distinctions.

The Nazis, however, hand out their medals with the casual lavishness of the ex-Kaiser.

In the Polish campaign alone, Hitler distributed 40,000 Iron Crosses.

It would take an astronomer to work out how many he has given away since, and no reliable figures are available.

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THE Russians did not do so badly either. In their brief war against Finland they took occasion to give 13,499 awards—seven times as many as the British have given in a whole year of total war spreading across the Seven Seas.

Incuded in the Russian awards were 119 medals for the "Heroes of the Soviet Union," the highest award in the whole of Russia for bravery in the field.

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SO far only nine Victoria Crosses have been won—two by the Navy, three by the Royal Air Force and four by the Army.

To the Navy fell the honour of the war's first V.C., that awarded to Captain Warburton-Lee, who was killed at Narvik.

There have been 99 naval D.S.O.s, with three bars, 327 D.S.C.s and 510 D.S.M.s.

Two of the Army's four V.C.s have been won by officers and two by N.C.O.s Other awards to the Army include 75 D.S.O.s and 225 D.F.M.s to sergeant-and five bars, 226 M.C.s and pilots and other ranks.

Apart from the R.A.F.'s three V.C.s there have been 21 D.S.O.s, including four bars (one officer winning two bars to a D.S.O. he gained in India), 368 D.F.C.s nine bars, 125 D.C.M.s, and 290 Military Medals.

FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean




"Another cuppa coffee, please . . . . I've got to stay up all night digging a tunnel!"

# The Mere Man

**Britain's Far Eastern Policy**

No news during the past week was better received by British people and their friends in this part of the world than the announcement of the creation of a unified Far Eastern Command under Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke Popham. The week, in fact, has been seven days of extraordinarily gratifying events in the international scene, notwithstanding the Molotov-Hitler parley. The continued success of the Greeks, and the British exploit at Taranto were certainly encouraging, but for Far Eastern residents the appointment of Air Marshal Popham was no less significant.

The decision reflects the adoption of a definite policy in this area which many people had long desired to see expressed in a manner that could be understood. Little mistake can be made by reading in the new move a clear sign of Britain's firm determination to call the bluff when the time should come.

The ability to adopt a stiffer attitude in the Far East than hitherto is also an eloquent indication of how the tide of battle has turned in Europe to Britain's favour.

**Gambling In The Colony**

Whilst a hundred per cent success would be impossible in any campaign to suppress organised gambling in any city, the measure of success so far achieved by our police in dealing with the problem here is not half as great as the citizens might expect from a Force which certainly does not lack men or brains.

The ordinary man, not trained in police methods, cannot pretend to give any advice as to how the problem could be tackled, but he cannot fail to be impressed by the continuance of a vast racket which the everyday police court prosecutions do not seem to disrupt. The breaking-up of coolies' pai-kau schools and the like may keep our magistrates busy, but that is not what we want. We should like to see the various lottery schemes stamped out entirely. And we should be happy if the many high-class, fashionable gambling dens, where thousands of dollars change hands nightly and where the operators wax rich from their ill-gotten gains, were given more attention by the police.

It is inconceivable that they cannot be located, though it is admitted that they seem to be shifted from one address to another. Often I have overheard well-dressed people discussing-on-ferries-their-winnings or losses at this or that place. There seems to be little difficulty in finding a guide if one only expresses with sufficient conviction a desire to play a hand or two.

Even in the case of small gambling, the police do not seem to have gone thoroughly about investigation. I can personally testify to the uninterrupted existence for many months of several fan-tan schools operated in shop corners and along the footpaths—of more than one thoroughfare.

One such school went on for at least four months in Lyndhurst Terrace, within a stone's throw of the Central Police Station. I have seen police at both ends of the street, perfectly aware of what was going on and yet doing nothing. I have actually witnessed the payment of squeeze by the men who run the "business." When a constable came along, one man who had a piece of paper would glance at the officer's number, hand over a sum of money, and then mark off a line on the sheet.

The whole procedure suggests that regular tributes are exacted for immunity from arrest. Citizens could hardly be blamed, therefore, for thinking the same might also apply in the case of the big gambling dens.

**Roller Skating**

The report that a man had broken his leg last week in an accident at the new roller skating rink at North Point reminded me very vividly of the time when I "flew through the air with the greatest of ease." I was about twelve years old at the time, and roller skating was a favourite recreation after school hours. I got on splendidly for several months, until I was blind to an aerated water bottle cap stuck in the tarred roadway.

To say that I "took a flop" is putting it mildly. The road at the spot was at a slight incline, and I plunged head foremost for fifteen feet or more. Not only did I hit the dust, but I had bandages on the face for three months.

I have not put on skates since, but I have always enjoyed the performance of others. Skating is an exhilarating sport, and a very fine sight for the spectator as well. I have seen scores of Chinese school children in the Colony performing marvellously well, and the sport is likely to become more and more popular.

—Claudius

# HAMBURG BADLY BATTERED

## *Sustained R.A.F. Attack*

**LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The Royal Air Force's battering of Hamburg last night lasted several hours and a concentrated attack was made on all its great and various industries.**

**At intervals throughout the night a powerful force of bombers flew over the city and suburbs. Success varied with changing weather but many pilots found periods when, in the words of one, conditions for bombing were perfect.**

Squadrons attacking the Blohm and Voss shipbuilding yards saw bursts in many parts of the area and explosions followed, accompanied by great billowing red flames.

***Factory Hit***

A direct hit was scored on a neighbouring aircraft factory.

In addition to dropping many high explosive bombs, another force of heavy bombers dropped over 1,000 incendiaries on the great riverside goods yards in the Billwarder district.

Gaps in the clouds closed as the attacks ended, says the Air Ministry, and made it impossible to observe the full results but enough was seen to make it certain that considerable damage was done.

***Raids On Italy***

Cairo, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Royal Air Force bombers again attacked Brindisi on the night of November 15, and the railway station and aerodromes and oil tanks near the city were bombed.

Several fires were started in the target area but the full extent of the damage could not be observed owing to low clouds.

Benghazi was raided successfully and shipping in the harbour was damaged.

The foreshore of Tobruk was bombed but it was not possible to see the extent of the damage.

A fuel depot near Gura, Italian East Africa, was attacked and a direct hit on the largest building in the target area caused much damage.

Zula was raided and buildings were bombed and ignited.

The Djibouti Addis Ababa railway line south of Adagalla was bombed and it is believed that direct hits were scored.

Massawa was raided, the main quay and the destroyer base being the principal objectives.

All but one of our planes returned safely.



AUSSIES VICTORIOUS—Sailors of the Australian cruiser, Sydney, as they arrive at an unnamed Australian port. They sank the Italian cruiser, Bartolomeo Colleoni, in the Mediterranean. Their only damage was a hole in the funnel.

# China Takes Heart From Recent Events

CHUNGKING, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The appointment of a British Commander-in-Chief for the Far East, the Soviet denial of an agreement with Japan, and Colonel Knox's speech promising greater assistance to China, are hailed by the official "Central Daily News" in a leading article this morning as "guaranteeing a Chinese victory".

These international developments are taken to indicate the determination of Britain, the United States and Russia to resist further aggression on the part of Japan in the Pacific.

The Chinese paper concludes, "A new dawn is breaking for independent and free new China. We must seize this great opportunity to make the greatest effort for final victory."

## Gen. Catroux Was In Chungking

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HANOI, Nov. 17 (Domei).—General Georges Catroux, who joined the anti-German forces under General Charles de Gaulle in London after resigning the post of Governor-General of Indo-China, was in Chungking on November 16 to confer with Chiang Kai-shek, it was reliably reported here.

## SUGAR INVOICED AS SWEETENED COCOA

Greens (Aldgate), Limited, wholesale grocers, of Commercial Street, E., were fined £40 with 25 guineas costs at Old Street Police Court for entering into a fictitious transaction by invoicing 5cwt. of granulated sugar as sweetened cocoa and a further £20 for selling it at 47s. 6d. a hundredweight, the maximum price being 37s. 11½d.

Charles Frederick Bean, a director and sales manager of the firm, was fined £10 and £5 respectively for the same offences.

Mr. Vernon Gatti, for the Ministry of Food,—said—that—the—manager—director of a well-known chocolate manufacturing firm learned through a third party that it was possible to obtain sugar without a permit in a certain way. He reported this to the Confectioners' Association, who gave him certain instructions.

As a result he got into touch with Greens and was told to supply them with five barrels about one-third full of cocoa in linen bags. These were returned with the available space filled up with granulated sugar invoiced as sweetened cocoa.

***Accepted Responsibility***

When an inspector of the Ministry called, Bean accepted responsibility and said that a quantity of cocoa had fallen into the open mouths of sugar bags and he looked upon the buyer as a fairy godfather when he was offered 47s. 6d. for it.

Mr. Edward Fall, solicitor for the defendants, said he had advised his clients to plead "Guilty." Mr. Bean accepted full responsibility. He produced the letter from the chocolate firm suggesting that the goods be invoiced as sweetened cocoa. "If this was a trap," Mr. Fall said, "Mr. Bean fell for it."

The Magistrate, Mr. Langley, said he must regard the firm as the main culprit. Documents had been produced signed by other people in the firm than Mr. Bean.

## FLOODLIGHTS FOR SOUTH AFRICA DEFENCE

SOUTH AFRICA has received from England 240 floodlight projectors, each capable of throwing a continuous and powerful 5,000 candle-power beam for 40 hours at a cost of only fivepence.

These sturdy self-contained units which burn ordinary kerosene, have been bought by the South African Government for defence purposes.

They are the "senior partners" of the 300 candle-power storm lanterns, 144 of which have arrived at Kenya for the use of the South African Expeditionary Force fighting on the Kenya border. These ingenious lanterns will burn anywhere and in any weather and hold about an oil tin for some 30 hours continuous burning.

# Bomb Gave Deaf London Man His Hearing Back

**A London district which had its first bomb in a recent night raid is to-day cheerful, vigorous and determined not to allow "that man" to get anyone down.**

**Listen to Mr. Knights, an infantryman in the last war, who lives in one of the bombed streets.**

**"I slept through it all. What Hitler wants is to make us lose our sleep, and he is not going to do that to me."**

Seven bombs dropped on seven little houses, wrecking them completely, and everyone was out to see the damage. They brought dogs and children and perambulators. And they stood gossiping.

***Windows Intact***

One house had been demolished, but the windows on either side were intact. This was a great source of amazement to the passers-by until one man explained that it was because these windows had been left open.

Crowds were continually moved on to allow rescue parties, demolition squads and firemen to examine the areas affected.

Housewives stood around with bulging baskets, for shopping had to be done first. Down in a local shopping street women exchanged the latest news of hospital casualties as they bought a pound of haddock or a nice fresh cabbage.

"No appointments cancelled," reported Tony, the local hairdresser. "One woman came in for a 'perm,' saying she felt she had to posh herself up for the shelter."

***Lost His Collar***

Everyone was swopping stories of the raid. Mr. J. Cooper, who is 70, had been dozing on his sitting-room sofa when a bomb blew him off it and buried him in debris.

**"I lost my collar," he said, "but it is a funny thing, I got back my hearing. Deaf as a post I was before this raid."**

At a neighbouring school, where families in the bombed streets are being housed, 100 people were in varying stages of undress. The spirit of these troops was excellent.

Dozens of families had brought their dogs. One, a handsome Alsatian called Prince, carried out his air raid drill perfectly when the bombs fell. He belongs to a serving soldier, and his master's mother, Mrs. Abbott, told how he went promptly to his accustomed place—a bed—when the siren sounded.

"We went down to our shelter," she said, "where there is no room for such a big dog. When we came out after seven hours Prince was there to meet us, none the worse for the shock of the bombs which dropped in our street."

***Old Friends Meet***

At the school was a touching meeting between two old friends—Mrs. Hannan, who is 76, and little old Mrs. Johnson, who is 80.

Mrs. Hannan's house had been bombed and Mrs. Johnson, who lives in a neighbouring street, had gone all the way to the school to inquire about her friend's safety.

Mrs. Johnson looks frail, but she has the courage of a lion. "The noise was terrible, but I was not nervous," she said. "Why, I remember how they used to drop bombs in the last one.

"They got a public house at the top of the road here. Of course, this one is worse, but you get used to it."

## SNOW IN CHINA

Chungking, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—A heavy snowstorm in north-west China with a snow drift four feet deep in places has caused havoc to [illegible]

# Arab States Turn Towards Britain

(BY "REUTER'S" MILITARY CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Nov. 17.—As the war develops in the Mediterranean and the Middle East, attention is becoming increasingly focussed on the great central mass of countries usually called the Arab States.

Nearly all these countries belonged to the old Turkish Empire and they now have not only many different forms of government but also different degrees of independence.

The independent states are Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Yemen. Next come Syria, Lebanon and Transjordan which have their own governments but are under the guidance of mandatory Powers.

Then come Palestine which is directly governed by mandate and the smaller protectorate of Aden.

The attitude of all these states is vastly important at the present time. Iraq, like Egypt, is allied to Britain but she has not declared war though all her relations with Britain's enemies have been broken off. Her army consists of three divisions, which are being trained by a British military mission.

***Saudi Arabia and Yemen***

Saudi Arabia may be regarded as pro-Ally. Saudi Arabia is bound to Iraq by the Treaty of Arab Brotherhood and Alliance.

Yemen also subscribed to this Treaty.

The difficulties over the past few years in Palestine have been great but there are many indications now that the Arabs are giving the famous White Paper a trial. Those who fled the country have now returned and many arms have been surrendered.

British troops must remain there on protective duties at least for the time being.

## Italian-Born Wife Kicked Husband

***Also Threw Chinese Vase***

When a decree nisi was granted in England recently to Major Morgan Paget Evans, of the Royal Artillery, on the ground of the cruelty of his Italian-born wife, it was alleged that she:—

**Struck him in the face with her fist and kicked him;**

**Hit him on the head with some electric lamp standards, and broke them all;**

**Threw a large Chinese vase at him, hitting him and smashing it.**

Her screaming tempers, it was added, would sometimes go on all night.

Mr. R. F. Bayford, K.C., for Major Evans, said that the major had arranged to make his wife an allowance.

## Volunteer Bowls Final

***5TH. A. A. BATTERY BEAT A. S. C. "A"***

The 5th A.A. Battery (L/Bdr. W. Melrose, Gr. R. Main, Gr. R. M. Keown, Gr. V. C. Chalmers) beat the A.S.C. Company "A" (Cpl. F. Cullen, Sgt. W. Hyde, Sgt. J. G. Meyer, Pte. E. Kern) 19-15 in the final of the Volunteer bowls competition for the *China Mail* Challenge Cup at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club yesterday.

The A.S.C. Company had a slight advantage after 14 heads when the score was 12-9. A three for the other side made the scores level and a five in the 19th. head helped the Battery to lead 18-14 and finally win 19-15. The last head was played in darkness and the winners added a single to their tally.

**Presentation of Trophy**

Capt. A. W. Brown, welcoming the Commandant, Colonel H. B. Rose, and Sir Atholl MacGregor, said there were 152 players and 38 rinks in the competition and they were able to contribute $190 to the Bomber Fund and there was a sum of $51 still to be sent.

Col. Rose presented the trophy to Gr. Chalmers.

## Widowed Day After Wedding

***£850 For Young Bride***

A 19-year girl, widowed the day after her marriage, received £850 for the loss of her husband under a settlement mentioned to Mr. Justice Humphreys in the King's Bench Division.

She is Mrs. Norah Catherine Mancini, of Ryde Valeroad, Balham, S.W., whose husband, George Patrick Mancini, 19, an electrician's mate, was killed on Oct. 1, 1935, in a collision between his motor-cycle and a car.

Her child, George Patrick Michael Mancini, received £350, and Mr. George Mancini, the husband's father, £50. Defendant was Mr. Arthur W. Lewis, of Nelson-square S.E.




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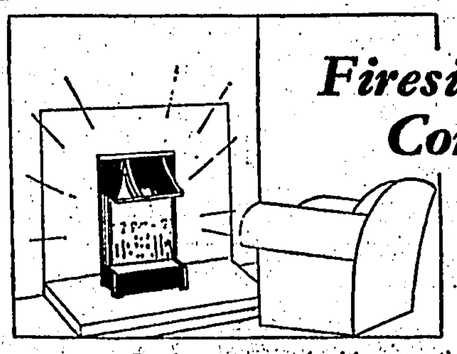
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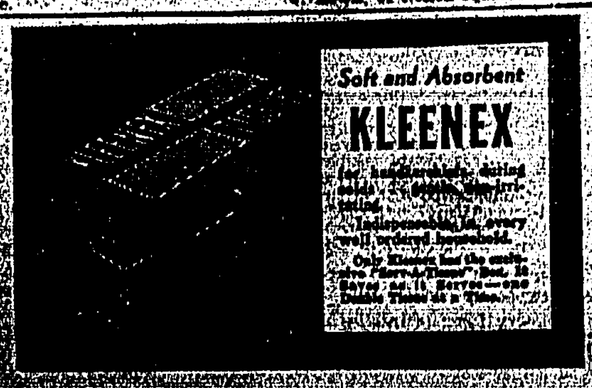
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# MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

## Eastern Beat Kwong Wah In Close Match

## Wong King-chung Plays An Excellent Game

(By "SCRAMBLER")

**THE FORM DISPLAYED by Eastern in their senior football encounter against Kwong Wah yesterday on Caroline Hill did not strike one as that of a league winning team. But for the fact that they were aided by a penalty for a doubtful infringement, they would not have obtained both points by the odd goal in five.**

Kwong Wah had as much of the play as their opponents, but poor finishing nullified the good work put in by their left winger, Wong King-chung. Eastern indulged in far too much petty passes and individualistic work, with the result that their finishes in front of goal were woefully weak. Their approach work was good, but up to a certain point, they invariably overdid it.

Kwong Wah delighted spectators with a very quick goal scored by Wong King-chung, who, receiving a pass from Cheuk Shek-kam, cut in to score with a daisy cutter that gave Lau Hin-hon no chance. This lead was short lived, for the Eastern returned to the attack thereafter, and from a pass by Tso Chow-fu, Hau Ching-tau cut in from what appeared to be an offside position to put his team on level terms.

Play was very even at this period, both goals were visited in turn, and had the Kwong Wah forwards accepted the passes presented by Wong King-chung, they would at least have been two goals up. Lee Kwok-kee was tested weakly by Hau Ching-tau and he was soon seen fisting out from a centre by Chung Yung-sum. With play transferred to the other half, Wong King-chung cut across to pass Lau Fook-chuen, who evading the pair of backs, drew Lau Hin-hon out to put the ball into an empty net.

### LISTLESS FOOTBALL

LEADING by the odd goal in three after the interval, play was desultory. Leung Ping-kam centred weakly across from the right. Eastern returned to the attack, and pretty short passing bouts were witnessed that led nowhere. From one of their breakaways, an infringement inside the area was made by the Kwong Wah defenders, and from the resultant spot kick, Hsu Man-fu put his team on level terms once again.

**Kwong Wah had several chances of increasing their score, but slow approach work and poor positioning robbed them of the desired effects. With their defence spread-eagled, Hau Ching-tau walked the ball past them to give them the lead for the first time.**

Despite their determination, Kwong Wah were being constantly watched in midfield, and it was only during this period that the Eastern defence appeared to gain a hold on their opponents.

Several attempts were made at goal, and Yu Hop-hing had bad luck in seeing his shots striking the upright on two occasions. Play thereafter was confined mostly to midfield, and although both sides strove hard to add to their score, they were prevented by two stubborn defences.

### BEST HALF

KWONG Wah's defence played very hard, indeed, but found the short interpassing of Eastern a bit puzzling. L. Woo in the pivotal position was running all over the field and checking the inside trio with some success.

**The best half-back in Kwong Wah's side or for the matter on the field was undoubtedly Kam Kar-piu, who had Chung Yung-sum completely subdued during the greater part of the game. He was forever a thorn in the Eastern's attacks and broke up many a threatening movement by his anticipations and positionings.**

Cheung Shu-fai did not appear to be able to hold the nippy Hau Ching-tau, and both of the goals came from his side. As for the backs, they have still to understand each other's game, for from a misunderstanding the second goal was scored by Hau Ching-tau. These backs cleared very strongly and gave their front men good support.

Lee Kwok-kee did what was expected of him, and should have made an attempt in stopping the second goal.

Of the forwards Wong King-Chung on the extreme left caught the eye with his speedy and tricky runs down the line. Both goals came from him, and with Cheuk Shek-kam, was a great worry to the Eastern's right flank of defence. Had Cheuk Shek-kam got rid of the ball quicker on several occasions, the result might have been different.

The weak spot in their attack was undoubtedly Leung Ping-kam, for during the greater part of the game, he was unable to come up to the standard set up by his forwards. Lau Fook-chuen, too, was inclined to be slow, and Chin Chi-fai was too well watched to be of much support, although he did managed to get rid of the attentions of Hsu King-sing.

### UNIMPRESSIVE EASTERN

EASTERN did not play as a team. The forwards were nice to watch with their delightful approach work, but by their overdoing it, they were very often robbed of the ball at the crucial moments. Chung Yung-sum was practically a passenger during the game, due to the close attention of Kam Kar-piu. Yu Hop-hing's work was, therefore, nullified by his partner's inability to get away with his passes, and Hsu Man-fu was always there when wanted, but lacked the last touches.

**Hau Ching-tau and Tso Chow-fung were a very formidable pair, and like their opponents; danger always come from them. Hau's opportunism obtained for him two goals.**

The defence did not really settle down to their work till the closing stages of the game, for during the earlier period, they did not have the same cohesion. Hsu King-sing at the commencement played the third back game, and gradually found time to feed his forwards. Lau Chi-tsang found Wong-chung a source of worry and by his going too far up field, he left a big gap for his back to cover.

Lo Wai-kuen worked unobtrusively throughout, more than holding the right flank. The backs were sound without being brilliant, and cleared with understanding. Lau Hin-hon saved on several occasions, and the two goals scored against him were not his fault.

### LISTLESS SOCCER

EASTERN played listless football. There was the lack of dash which is so much associated with their team. The defence too was not at its best, and had they been pitted against another team, or, for that matter, had the Kwong Wah's forwards accepted their opportunities, they would undoubtedly have gone down.

Kwong Wah had only themselves to blame for not taking away at least one point. They were presented with innumerable chances, and these were either frittered away, or found the forwards out of position.

EASTERN: Lau Hin-hon, Kong Sing-king, Woo Chi-cheung; Lau Tai-tsang, Hsu King-sing, Lo Wai-kuen; Chung Yung-sum, Yu Hop-hing, Hsu Man-fu, Tso Chow-fung, Hau Ching-tau.

KWONG WAH: Lee Kwok-kee, Chung Fai-lam, Leung Pak-wai; Cheung Shu-fai, L. Woo, Kam Kar-piu, Leung Ping-kam, Lau Fook-chuen, Chin Chi-fai, Cheuk Shek-kam, Wong King-chung.

# Convincing Rugger Win By Navy Fifteen

## POLICE WINGERS HAD FEW OPPORTUNITIES

(By "Fly-half")

**NAVY HAD A CONVINCING win over the Police at rugger on Saturday by 20 points (a goal, a penalty goal and four tries) to nil.**

**THE NAVY BACKS handled and passed well. Bucknell and Robinson made a very fine left wing combination, with the former timing his passes to a nicety. Rutherford gave an inspired display and appears to be getting to splendid form. Carter, getting his passes in good time, opened up the game well. Watson hooked the ball back in the majority of the set scrums. Other forwards to impress were Poole and Taylor. Honeywell was neat in his work at full back.**



An incident in the rugger match between the Navy and Police on Saturday. The naval team won easily by 20 points to nil, the Policemen being outclassed.—*Ming Yuen.*

Once again lack of penetration power was obvious in the Police three line. The insides appear unable to make openings for the wing men. Reynolds was inclined to hang on to the ball too long. Jackson, at stand-off half, tried hard and certainly went straight up the field when in possession. Wall was safe in his handling and kicking, but force of numbers generally deprived him of opportunities to prevent tries. It might be a good move to try him at inside three.

Wright-Nooth was very active up forward, being here, there and everywhere after the ball. Dempsey tried hard and was fairly successful in the line-outs.

### *Navy Scoring*

Watson opened the Navy's account with a penalty goal when the Police were two men short. Then following good work by the threes, Paul scored a try which Watson converted. Good following-up by Carter, who received from Bowden following an interception by Paul led to the first mentioned player scoring an unconverted try.

In the second half, Bucknall went through on his own to score another unconverted try. Next Carter kicked ahead and Manfield, who was showing up well amongst the forwards, followed up quickly to beat Wall for the touch-down. Watson failed to add the goal points.

Soon after Robinson rounded Dingsdale and handed off Wall to score yet another unconverted try.

Teams:

Navy.—Honeywill; Robinson, Bucknell, Paul and Bowden; Carter and Rutherford; Palmer, Watson, Manfield; Taylor, Brewer; Wilkinson, Longmuir and Poole.

Police.—Wall; Taylor, Innes, Reynolds and Dingsdale; Jackson and Leslie; Rose, Lewis, Cullinan; Davis, Jenner; Wright-Nooth, Dempsey and Oakley.

Millar, Cuthbertson, Pinkerton, Gillan and Duke.

Club.—Thompson; Beauquet, Day, Aitkenhead and Stewart; Charter and Morgan; Hearman, Macrae, Mackrette; Gairdner, Needham, Godfrey, Taylor and Kennedy.

## Army Trounce Club Fifteen

Army made no doubt of their superiority over Club when at Boundary Street they won by 20 points (a goal and five tries) to three points (a try).

Army were without Hook and Club without Thomson, but Coombes and Morgan did quite well in their positions. Macdonald, who came into the Army side through Hook's absence, played a wonderful game with a good turn of speed. Richards, as an inside three, was another find. He made grand openings for his partner, Macdonald.

Marsh and Douglass were in more subdued form on the right wing although the latter kicked ahead a lot, and this appeared to have the Club men worried.

The Army pack bunched well in the open and gave their opponents very short time in which to retrieve. Millar, Sutherland and Duke were prominent.

### *Club Threes Poor*

The Club threes had one of their bad days. Their passing was very wild and hardly once did the ball get out to the man on the wing. Charter, at stand-off, did not feed his threes too well. The Club forwards lacked fire. Their covering up in defence still leaves much to be desired.

An early unconverted try by Charter promised well for Club. Army, however, were not long in retaliating when Millar threw himself over under the posts. Douglass converted. Coombes followed this up with an unconverted try.

In the second half, Richards, Ford and Macdonald (2) scored unconverted tries for the Army.

Teams:

Army.—Clague; Marsh, Douglass, Richards and Macdonald; Coombes and Wedderburn; Bompas, Ford, Sutherland;

## How Teams Fared

**FIRST DIVISION**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Middlesex | 1 | Sing Tao | 3 |
| Kowloon | 1 | Police | 0 |
| Eastern | 3 | Kwong Wah | 2 |
| Navy | 1 | St. Joseph's | 1 |

**SECOND DIVISION**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| R. Engineers | 2 | R.A.O.C. | 0 |
| Middlesex | 3 | 30th R.A. | 2 |
| Club | 0 | Sing Tao | 5 |
| Kowloon | 3 | Police | 3 |
| R.A.S.C. | 10 | Kit Chee | 1 |
| Navy | 1 | R. Scots | 3 |
| South China | 6 | Kwong Wah | 0 |

**THIRD DIVISION**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7th R.A. | 0 | 24th R.A. | 3 |
| International | 1 | 20th R.A. | 5 |
| 35th R.A. | 3 | Engineers | 2 |
| R.A.S.C. | 3 | A.S.A. | 1 |
| 12th R.A. | 3 | 30th R.A. | 1 |
| R.A.F. | 5 | Shell | 0 |
| Signals | 5 | R.A.M.C. | 1 |

## CASH SWEEP RESULTS

**RACE 1**

No. 3128 $2,275.00
No. 627 650.00
No. 3634 325.00
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 1056, 2189, 1631, 1744, 4280, 253, 4534, 2279, 3004, 2951, 4308.

**RACE 2**

No. 93 $2,401.20
No. 431 703.20
No. 2772 351.60
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 2362, 718, 5216, 5115, 1635, 3990, 1534, 860, 1394, 5037, 809.

**RACE 3**

No. 2723 $3,126.00
No. 1123 1,042.00
Unplaced pony ($50 each): No. 5327.

**RACE 4**

No. 4174 $3,895.40
No. 4786 618.30
No. 5006 (Dead heat) 618.30
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 5568, 3479, 1201, 5423, 5723, 4505, 67, 5162.

**RACE 5**

No. 862 $3,000.20
No. 3753 857.20
No 3910 428.60
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 3335, 3809, 1949, 4532, 176, 705, 2075.

**RACE 6**

No. 2997 $5,628.00
No. 4064 1,008.00
No. 53 804.00
Unplaced ponies ($100 each): Nos. 2902, 2238, 533, 4540, 1089, 1667, 3289.

**RACE 7**

No. 2747 $3,108.00
No. 5828 828.00
No. 4499 444.60
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 1587, 5090, 6021, 1468, 2100, 4433, 1958, 3116, 5305, 2801.

**RACE 8**

No. 1834 $5,947.20
No. 406 1,009.20
No. 2654 849.60
Unplaced ponies ($100 each): Nos. 3152, 5901, 1027, 924, 6006, 4825, 5095.

## Hockey League Encounters

Several matches in the Hongkong Hockey Association tournament were played yesterday.

Recrelo A beat A. N. Other's XI 3-0 at King's Park. Scorers.—H. L. Ozorio, J. Fonseca and F. X. Sequeira.

Police A beat C.B.A. 2-1. Scorers.—Howlett, Jasbir Singh; T. Whitley.

Khalsa beat University 7-0. Scorers.—Awtar Singh (5), Guest, Kirmindar Singh.

Gun. A.A. "A" beat 5th. A.A. "B" 2-1. Scorers.—Hazara Singh, Abdul Dinar; McCadden.

Gunboats beat M.T.B.'s 3-1. Scorers.—Gemmel (2), Collard; Hall.

Police B beat Destroyers 3-0. Scorers.—Chanan Singh (2), Nawan Singh.

## SPORTS ADVT.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 30th November, 1940 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 21st November, 1940.

By Order,
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## WEEK-END YACHTING

### *Cruiser Series Race*

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's Second Cruiser series championship event over 22 miles yesterday resulted as follows:

**Division I**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| E 37 Norena (Mr. P. C. M. Sedgwick) | 15.37.40½ | 15.37.40½ | 1 | 10 |
| Cresund (Mr. K. Neckelman) | 16.02.14 | 15.43.03 | 2 | 8 |
| Yehonala (Mr. G. W. Behrman) | 16.09.55 | 15.43.54 | 3 | 6 |
| La Cicale I (Mr. N. Croucher) | 15.52.45 | 15.52.45 | 4 | 4 |
| Donna (Capt. A. O. G. Mills) | 16.18.10 | 15.58.14 | 5 | 3 |
| Red Rover | | D.N.F. | 6 | 1 |

**Division II**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tyrone (Mr. B. Herschend) | 17.22.33 | 15.36.57 | 1 | 9 |
| Cormorant (Mr. P. H. MacMillan) | 17.13.24 | 15.44.43 | 2 | 7 |
| Isis (Lt. R. N. B. Browne) | 17.35.10 | 15.48.58 | 3 | 5 |
| U and I (Mr. J. B. Colls) | 16.51.20 | 15.55.17 | 4 | 3 |

Evolene was disqualified.

**Four-Tonners**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Typhoon (Mr. G. M. Marrs) | 16.54.42 | 15.28.19 | 1 | 10 |
| Cutty (Mr. H. Foy) | 17.03.35 | 15.34.20 | 2 | 8 |
| Sai Long (Mr. J. S. Dunnett) | 17.00.21 | 15.39.47 | 3 | 6 |
| Tern (Mr. J. L. Anderson) | 16.57.42 | 15.41.07 | 4 | 4 |
| Curlew (Mr. P. Clarke) | 17.13.08 | 15.42.54 | 5 | 3 |
| Monsoon (Major A. P. Trevor) | 17.29.16 | 15.45.40 | 6 | 2 |

**Guri Wins on Saturday**

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's third Commodore's Cup and Championship race, held on Saturday over a distance of 7.2 miles, resulted in Guri (S K. Heiberg) coming in first with 19 points. Joss (Major G. E. Neve) was second with 17 points and Gull (Capt. A. O. G. Mills) was third with 15. There were 15 starters and only one boat Kittiwake, failed to complete the course.

The race for the Mixed Class was won by Wendy (H. W. Browne), with Zephyr (Major Rochfort-Boyd) second and Widgeon (P. F. MacCabe) third. There were six starters, and all finished.

## Victory For St. George's

The members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club had their annual match yesterday, St. George's representatives beat St. Andrew's by 10¼ points—33½-23¼.

In the morning, contrary to expectations, St. George's players gained a considerable lead, 21 points to 9. In the four balls event, St. Andrew's came up hand over fist till the scores were almost level. St. George's, however, made a gallant recovery with the result stated above.

### *Kowloon Golf Club*

The Kowloon Golf Club's 36-hole Medal Play Championship held yesterday resulted in a tie for first place between S. Tomlinson and R. K. Collings, both returning a score of 167. W. Kershaw was third with 172, followed by A. T. Dennis with 173 and T. B. Low with 175.

Results of the first round of the Junior Championship were: G. B. Frost beat L. Sykes; W. C. Hing beat J. Coles; H. J. Cross beat J. R. Humble; R. Miller beat S. J. Remedios; R. Henderson beat E. C. Fincher; and A. G. Butterfield beat W. Groves.


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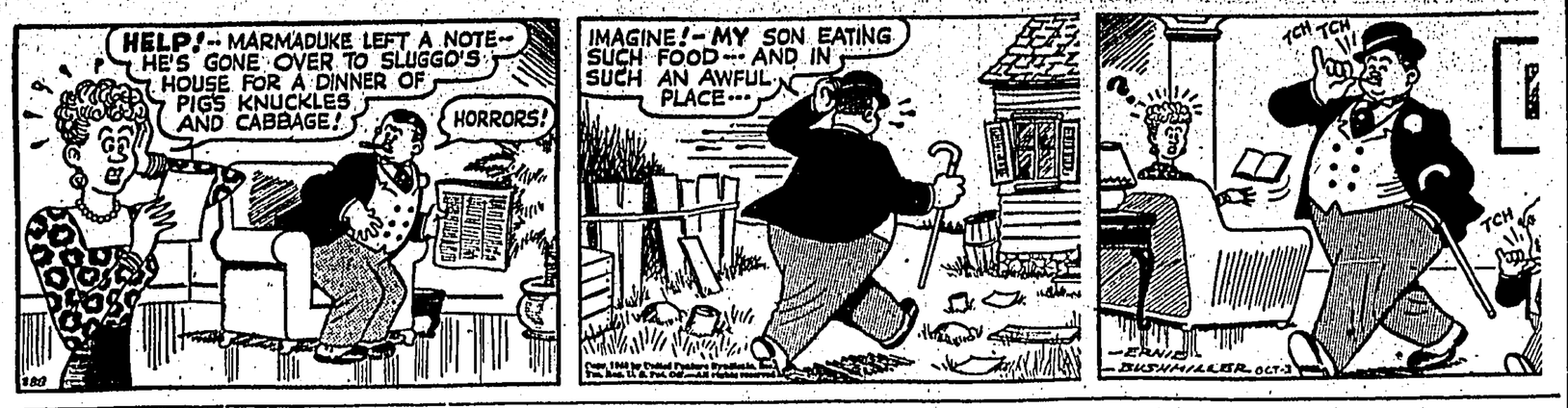
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London had three warnings during the day, but they did not represent three separate raids. The fighting was continuous from 9 a.m. to dusk.

At dusk the night raiders came over once more, and London had another alarm—the fourth in nine hours.

One of the night raiders was shot down in flames over the London area. British fighters were in action over London. They could be seen flashing in and out of the searchlights.

High explosive and incendiary bombs fell on the outskirts. A fire bomb hit a hospital and another caused a fire at an institution.

Several times the raiders were caught in the London searchlights. Quickly the A.A. guns opened fire and the Nazis sped chased by lights and bursting shells.

Once a 'plane was caught in the lights it did not escape till out of range.

The daylight attackers came in waves of 100, each selecting a different direction for the attack.

Far out at sea they were met by the R.A.F., and soon the whole of south-east England was a vast aerial battlefield.

Compact forces of Spitfires and Hurricanes cut through the Germans, wheeled, and then cut through again.

Most people sensibly took shelter, but thousands stayed in the open to watch the spectacle in the sky.

To many spectators it seemed that the R.A.F. were employing new tactics. They seemed to concentrate first on breaking up enemy formations before diving in to the kill.

Watchers in one south-eastern area saw eight Germans shot down in 40 minutes.

One district of London had a grand-stand view of the fighting.

These people saw a formation of 20 Germans—the most successful attack of the day—tackled by the British fighters.

The Germans were flying at a great height, but a terrific barrage of accurate A.A. fire broke them up and scattered them in every direction.

Then the Spitfires got above them, broke them into three, and forced them several thousand feet down.

The fighters seemed to pause to pick their targets, then drove on. Three bombers came down at once.

Another bomber made for a patch of cloud. A Spitfire went after it. There was a rattle of machine-guns, and the bomber fell out, while the Spitfire followed it down. This bomber appeared to fall to the ground.

### *Forgot Peril*

Another was driven up by R.A.F. fire until it was lost to view. Fighters followed it and there were a few moments of intense machine-gun fire.

Then the bomber came plunging down, dead straight with first a thin wisp and then a great sheet of smoke behind it. There was a terrific crash as it fell.

One after another the bombers came hurtling out of the sky in flames. Six in all were shot down at this point.

The watching crowds forgot their peril and ran into the streets cheering wildly. Those who were in shelters heard the shouting and peeped out.

Then they, too, joined the cheering throng until the noise of the shouting drowned the roar of engines overhead, the rattle of machine-guns, and the boom that told that another German had crashed and exploded.

Mrs. D. Beckett, who was travelling home from the City to her suburban home said, "Our train was just outside a railway station when a bomber skimmed the top of the train. Flames were bursting from its tail. It dived low and then crashed. People in the train were so thrilled that they cheered."

One bomber fell in flames on a sewage farm. All the crew lost their lives.

Crowds of people saw the dogfight which ended in this crash. They ran out into the streets, and in one shopping centre men and women were shouting, "Bring him down." Cheers followed when after a burst of machine-gun fire, they saw smoke pouring from the raider.

A girl who had run out from a hairdressing saloon with her hair half done to watch the spectacle said: "I wouldn't have missed it to speak to Clark Gable."

Passengers in a suburban electric train heard the roar of a fight develop suddenly overhead.

A sergeant-major home on leave shouted "duck," and with his fellow passengers he dropped to the floor for the rest of the journey, thinking the train was the object of the swooping 'plane.

One of the raiders, apparently separated from the main flight by three British fighters, was being chased over the district. Scores of people hastening from shops towards home and public shelters stopped fascinated on the pavements. Others came out of their houses to watch the fight.

They saw one enemy machine being harassed by three British fighters, that wove wild patterns in white exhaust vapour as they dived and twisted after the enemy. They saw almost the end of the fight, too, some minutes later when some of the fighters withdrew, leaving one to continue in a long swift glide on the tail of the enemy 'plane.

They also saw the pursuing 'plane return triumphantly after seeing his opponent grounded.

Surprisingly little damage was caused by the raiders. In nearly every case they jettisoned their bombs blindly when attacked, only once or twice could they claim to have reached anywhere near a genuine military objective.

The official German account of the day's fighting significantly makes no mention of the attack on London.

Berlin states that the raids were led by a formation of destroyer 'planes, which engaged Spitfires and Hurricanes over the British coast for the purpose of clearing the way for following formations of bomber-fighters.

"A great number of air battles developed from Dover to Eastbourne and lasted on an average from five to ten minutes each.

### *Decoy Ruse*

"Farnborough aerodrome was heavily damaged. Hangars were destroyed, and several 'planes were destroyed on the ground."

This communique conflicts with the more reliable account given by a reporter stationed in a coastal area:

"Squadron after squadron of Messerschmitt fighters, including the crack formation of orange-nosed machines, swept in and out of the sky.

"Their object was plain. They wanted to tempt our fighters up after them, so that waves of bombers could pass high overhead to and from inland targets without opposition.

"The plan did not work. Although I must have seen at least 150 Messerschmitts, I did not see one dog-fight. Our fighters were otherwise—and better—employed. They were after the bombers.

"The Messerschmitt pilots were disconcerted. In the end they did what all true Germans would—obeyed instructions to the letter. Keeping discreetly out of range of our A.A. guns as much as they could, they flew around in spectacular style.

"They gleamed in the sunshine, and enthralled civilian watchers with their unmolested evolutions. But they attempted and achieved nothing.

"But they did not escape without loss. One was certainly brought down inland with a direct hit, and others fled damaged across the Channel.

### *Many Waves*

"The waves of Nazi bombers began crossing the coast here from early morning, mostly in groups of 20. The largest formation I saw returning numbered only 12. Generally, the home-going raiders were in twos and threes."

The Air Ministry and Military of Home Security told the story in these words:

"Large forces of enemy aircraft crossed the south-east coast in the morning in three successive waves at short intervals. Our air defences went into action and the battle which developed resulted in the enemy being scattered and driven back.

A small proportion of them approached the London area and attempted unsuccessfully to attack several aerodromes in the Home Counties. These aircraft, too, were engaged by our fighters and dispersed.

"Bombs were dropped indiscriminately in districts of Kent and Surrey. Slight damage is reported. The number of casualties is small, but includes some killed.

"Large formations of enemy aircraft again crossed the Kentish coast in the afternoon later spreading out over a wide area and attempting to attack a number of R.A.F. aerodromes in the Home Counties.

"Preliminary reports indicate that no serious damage was done to aerodromes, although there was a small number of casualties, including some killed. At one town in the Home Counties industrial premises were damaged and a number of people killed and injured.

"The enemy were heavily engaged at all points by our fighters, which inflicted severe losses."

The Air Ministry News Service adds these details:

German bombers and fighters concentrated attacks, for the second day running, on aerodromes in south-east England. Three times Spitfires and Hurricanes broke up large German formations.

In the first attack, shortly before midday, the German air force sent over 150 bombers and about the same numbers of fighter escorts.

After crossing the Kent coast, the enemy spread out fanwise, formations of 50 aircraft attempting to bomb Kent and Surrey aerodromes.

The second raid took place in the afternoon and was on a smaller scale, but it was followed up an hour later by another mass raid. Once again the enemy used more than 200 aircraft and widened the area of their attack to north of the Thames.

### *Patrolling*

During the morning raid 11 Hurricane pilots inflicted a crushing defeat on formations of Heinkels and Messerschmitt Jaguars.

Patrolling over the Channel, the British pilots first sighted 50 Heinkels flying at 16,000ft. in sections of three. Then the Hurricane pilots saw that flying above the Heinkels were large numbers of Jaguars, and, flying still higher, were Messerschmitts.

The Hurricane pilots decided to attack the Heinkel bombers first. They flew at them head-on, shot down two and, as they reported afterwards, "effectively broke up the formation."

The Hurricanes then attacked the Jaguars, shooting down six and destroying probably two more.

In the same raid, six Spitfire pilots dived out of the sun on about 60 Messerschmitt Jaguar fighter-bombers. They were flying three miles high in four circles of 20.

As the Spitfires dived to attack, 20 Messerschmitt 109 protecting fighters hurtled down in line astern and joined in the battle.

Two of the Jaguars were crippled, and were last seen falling with white smoke pouring from the fuselage.

Ten more Spitfire pilots routed another formation of 50 German bombers protected by about the same number of fighters.

The bombers were flying in waves with the fighters circling above. The R.A.F. squadron leader led a head-on attack at the bomber formation, which completely broke up. Then the Spitfire pilots attacked the bombers singly.

One of the fiercest air-battles which preceded an attempt by enemy raiders to reach London was watched with tremendous interest by many thousands of people in south-east coast towns. They heard loud bursts of machine-gun fire, and saw our fighters, 20,000ft. up, diving in and out among the enemy formations.

Three German 'planes are believed to have been brought down when they raided a south-east area for the second time.

Hundreds of people saw one bomber brought down by A.A. fire. It was flying tremendously high when the guns started, and watchers on the ground saw two long trails of smoke, and then the 'plane itself falling vertically at a speed so great it was hard to follow it. There was a terrific crash and a column of black smoke arose.

### *Lost Height*

Another formation of 16 bombers were attacked by A.A. fire, which after the first few rounds was so accurate that the 'planes were lost in shell bursts. It seemed impossible they could survive. The formation broke up, and, falling apart, were attacked by Spitfires. The British fighters hovered to pick their target, and then dived with a shattering burst of machine-gun fire.

The bombers fled all ways. One made for a cloud; as he came out a fighter followed him, so close they seemed to be touching.

The 'planes disappeared, but the bomber was hovering and limping like a lame duck, and finally lost height so much that he disappeared.

A third 'plane was first hit by A.A. fire, and then attacked by Spitfires. He too lost height so rapidly that it was obvious he could not escape.

The raiders were having a bad time. They seemed bewildered, and some fled in the wrong direction, only to be driven out to where the fighters were waiting for them.

Two high-explosive bombs were dropped on a town in Kent during the morning. One fell on a road way, missing 30 houses by a matter of yards. Gas and water mains were damaged, and fires started. No one was injured.

The other bomb made a crater 25 yards wide and five yards deep and scattered stones and lumps of earth into neighbouring gardens.

Within an hour the occupant put up a notice reading, "Threepence to see the crater, in aid of Dr. Barnardo's Homes."

A Spitfire pilot who had been in several engagements over Surrey, came across a formation of three big Dorniers at great height. He was able only to get in one brief burst when he ran out of ammunition.

He zoomed above the Germans then dived on the nearest, crashing deliberately into the German from slightly abeam. The German began to spin away in flames.

The Spitfire pilot leaped from his crumpled machine and landed by parachute with nothing more than scratches and bruises. Three of the Germans also baled out, but two were burned to death.

A corporation crane driver borrowed a rifle from a barge and waded over foreshore mud at a south-east town to arrest a German, one of several who baled out from three crashing 'planes over the town.

The airman put up his hands and was taken over by a military guard, who kept back an angry crowd. The airman said: "I am glad it is finished."

### *Down In Sea*

Over this town 200 Germans came from the south-east. Fierce anti-aircraft fire drove them back, and two bombers came down several miles out to sea.

Three German 'planes were brought down in a dog-fight which took place over a south-east town. Seven prisoners were captured, six by Canadian soldiers, and the seventh by a 17-year-old boy and a man who were rabbit-shooting.

A Heinkel was shot down near a farm. Two explosions were heard, and a ball of fire appeared in the sky, eventually breaking into three pieces, the tail being flung half a mile from the body.

A farmer saw a parachutist descending and went out with a pitchfork. Souvenir hunters were quickly on the scene. Some tried to break off a swastika to display for a Spitfire fund. One small boy, afraid that police would deprive him of his trophy, hid it up his trouser leg.

*Nazi technique attained a new low level . . . . A Hurricane pilot who had baled out was riddled with bullets from three Messerschmitts which swooped on him as he floated down by parachute.*

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday says.

There is little to report due to the short morning session. Banks, Electrics, Trams and Lands remain firm while Rones, Cements and Providents were slightly easier.

**Buyers**

Lands $31
Humphreys $7
Yaumati Ferries $22.50
Macao Electric (new) $16.00
Entertainments $6.65

**Sellers**

Watsons $9.75

**Sales**

Trams $16.50
Electrics (Old) $38
Macao Electrics (old) $17.75
Macao Electrics (new) $16.75

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

It is announced by the Secretary of the British Legion Earl Haig's Fund that the Hongkong Poppy Day collection this year broke all records.

Previously acknowledged $25,261.36; Lane Crawford Ltd. (Collection tins) $23.70; Cheung Chau per Miss Mulliken (Collection tins) $42.35; "Golf Match" V. R. Gordon $5.00; E. M. K. $5.00; Hongkong Signal Company $50.00; Further Street Sales $50.00. Total $25,446.41.

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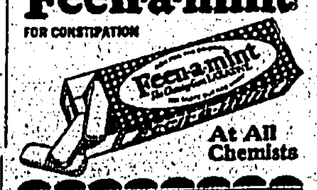
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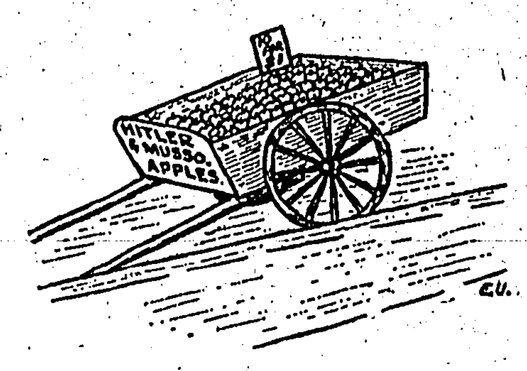



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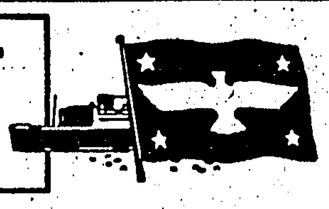
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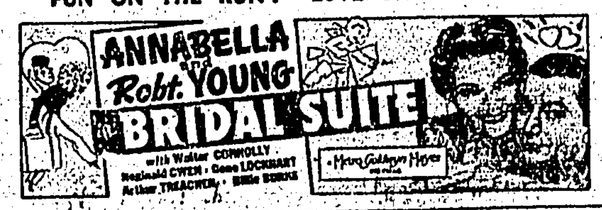



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# Well Armed Pirates Attack Trading Junk

Brutal methods were employed by a gang of 30 pirates, armed with sub-machine guns, rifles and revolvers, who boarded and plundered a Hongkong trading junk off San Mei in Chinese waters on Thursday last. A report of the outrage, in which three people were killed and another seriously wounded, was made to the Police on arrival of the pirated vessel in port yesterday.

The junk was stopped about 8 a.m. on Thursday by two other junks containing a total of 30 men. The pirates drew alongside and the armed men boarded.

Details were lacking in the report as to what caused the pirates to kill three of the trading junk's occupants. Fung Tai-tung, 13, son of the master, Fung Hoi-cheung, 37, steersman of the vessel, and an unknown Chinese passenger were killed and their bodies dumped overboard.

The junk's cargo of 198 sacks of rice, valued at $3,564, 25 bags of sugar valued at $425 and 100 bags of flour, valued at $400, were seized by the pirates.

Fung Kau, 11-year-old son of the master, was seriously wounded, and was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday. His condition is stated to be very serious.

## Dr. Hugh W. White Dies At Kuling

Another old Kuling resident has passed away in the person of Dr. Hugh W. White. His death came suddenly. A few moments before he had been reading the daily radio bulletin, had returned to his study, and was found there by his son on the floor about an hour after, life having been extinct for some time.

Dr. White was one of the oldest living members of the Presbyterian Mission South, and for 46 years had been working with Mrs. White in northern Kiangsu, says the *N. C. D. News*.

The funeral took place on October 29 a memorial service first being held in the Church of the Ascension.

Dr. White leaves behind in Kuling, Mrs. White, who has been in failing health for some time, and their son, Hugh, who until recently has been Professor of Music at the late Central China College of Wuchang, and Hwa Chung College in Hsichow, Yunnan. In addition there are also two daughters and a son in America.

## NUTRITION FAULT ROBBING U.S. OF MAN-POWER

ROCHESTER, N.Y., Oct. 31 (UP).—Faulty nutrition is depleting the United States' reservoir of man-power for military and industrial defence, in the opinion of Dr. John R. Williams, Rochester physician.

He told the university of Rochester's fourth annual post-graduate medical conference that "too many Americans consider eating merely as the chief source of entertainment."

He blamed that attitude for many defects which have caused American youth to be rejected for factory or army service.

Declaring that such failures are common despite the super-abundance of food available in this country, Dr. Williams urged the nation's physicians to assume leadership in wiping out "these nutritional failures."

## URBAN COUNCIL

### ITEMS IN AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

At to-morrow's meeting of the Urban Council, the members will consider the following items:

Letters from Government signifying the approval of the Legislative Council to the amendment of the following by-laws:—(a) Restaurants, eating houses and food stalls; (b) Sale of milk generally, and dairies and milk shops; (c) Hawkers—A, general and licensing.

Correspondence relative to the proposed erection of three temporary latrines at Kap Shek Mi Village shown on a plan dated October 30.

Correspondence relative to the standard type of dry latrine.

Application for a food factory (A) licence for 50, Gloucester Road, ground floor.


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## Army Co-operational Command In R.A.F.

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The new Command will be established on December 1, 1940.

*Air Marshal Barratt*

Air Marshal Sir Arthur Barratt, who was in command of the R.A.F. in France prior to and during the Battle of France, has been appointed Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of his new Command.

Simultaneously wide changes are announced in the R.A.F. Higher Command.

Air Vice-Marshal W. S. Douglas is appointed Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Fighter Command in place of Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding from a date in the near future. Air Vice-Marshal Douglas is promoted to Air Marshal (Temporary) on his appointment.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding, at the special request of the Minister for Aircraft Production, is being seconded to the latter's department for special duty in the United States.

*Deputy Chief Air Staff*

Air Vice-Marshal A. T. Harris is appointed Deputy Chief of Air Staff in place of Air Vice-Marshal Douglas.

Air Vice-Marshal O. T. Boyd is promoted Air Marshal (Acting) and appointed Deputy to the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Middle East Command.

Air Marshal E. L. Gossage is appointed Air Officer Commanding the Balloon Command in place of Air Vice-Marshal Boyd.

Air Vice-Marshal P. Budington is promoted Air Marshal (Acting) and becomes Air Member of Personnel in place of Air Marshal Gossage.

Air Marshal Sir Arthur Sheridan Barratt first came into the news in the present war when he was appointed Commander-in-Chief of the British Air Force in France. This was a new appointment to ensure the most effective support by the R.A.F. for the B.E.F. and the French armies on the Western Front.

It is noteworthy that all but one of the new men are under 50.

## "Someone At The Door"

The Kowloon Cricket Club presentation of the comedy-thriller, "Someone at the Door," in aid of the S. C. M. Post Bomber Fund, again drew appreciative and capacity houses on Saturday night and last night.

On Saturday, at the conclusion of the performance, a pair of canaries was auctioned in aid of the fund by Vic Labrum. Bidding commenced at $10, and eventually the birds were sold for $90.

## Public Execution In Shanghai

Shanghai, Nov. 17.

Japanese authorities publicly beheaded four Chinese thieves in the western district outside the International Settlement yesterday, according to reliable Chinese reports.

The men were executed for stealing cables and wires from the Shanghai Telephone Company and other utility concerns as well as Japanese communication lines.

A Japanese officer, in a speech to a crowd of watchers, said that a similar fate awaits all thieves caught and that the public execution was as an example.—*United Press.*

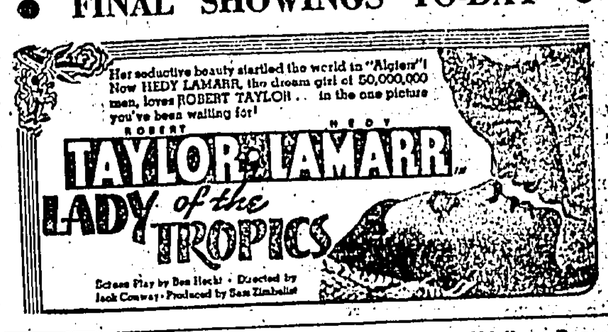
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## Haiphong Harbour Warning

Indicating that Haiphong harbour has now been mined or obstructed, a French notice to mariners issued by the Hongkong Harbour office states that navigation is prohibited within a certain area.

The notice states that in position Latitude 20.42 north, longitude 107 degrees east, navigation is prohibited within the area bounded on the north by Island "B", on the east by Island "E", on the south by the parallel of 20.42.24 degrees north and on the west by the meridian of 107.00.20 degrees, east.

Vessels are warned not to approach within 328 feet of this area.

## Shanghai Plane Fund

Shanghai, Nov. 17.

For the third month in succession £10,000 has been remitted to England by the committee of the Voluntary War Contribution Fund for the purchase of aeroplanes.

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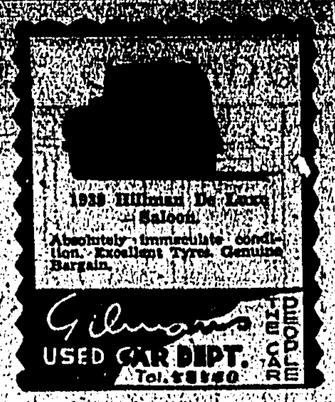
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# FROM ESTONIA TO AUSTRALIA VIA HONGKONG

## 176 British Evacuees Arrive

**ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY SIX BRITISH MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN, EVACUEES FROM ESTONIA, ARRIVED IN HONGKONG TO-DAY EN ROUTE TO AUSTRALIA. THEY HAVE BEEN TRAVELLING SINCE OCTOBER 26 GOING OVERLAND VIA SIBERIA TO VLADIVOSTOCK, WHERE THEY WERE MET BY A HONGKONG SHIP. HONGKONG HAS BEEN THEIR FIRST PORT OF CALL SINCE LEAVING VLADIVOSTOCK AND THEY ARE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE THEIR JOURNEY SOUTH TO-DAY BY THE SAME SHIP.**

Included among the evacuees is Mrs. L. Russell-Green, for several years Estonia correspondent of the "Sunday Observer." With her is her young son. In an exclusive story to the "Telegraph" she describes the long journey through Soviet Russia and the excellent treatment accorded them.

In an interview this morning Mrs. Green said that their evacuation was made necessary by a Soviet order declaring that all foreigners who had not left Estonia by January 1, 1941, would have to take out Soviet citizenship. As a result practically all foreigners had now left Estonia.

After Estonia had been annexed by Russia, the inhabitants, both Estonians and foreigners, were subjected to severe restrictions; they could receive no news apart from Soviet propaganda, and people who talked indiscreetly in cafes and other public places were arrested.

Mrs. Green said the evacuees had remained cheerful and in good spirits, but many were dubious about Australia, and feared they would not like the country.

Mrs. Green is not only an eminent journalist, but an author, and her fascinating account of the evacuation trip across Russia appears below.

## Luxury For Penniless

*Riga To Vladivostock With Baltic Evacuees*

By L. RUSSELL-GREEN
ESTONIA CORRESPONDENT OF THE "SUNDAY OBSERVER"

An attempt at evacuation had already been made on September 4, when the Estonian crowd congregated in the Customs House of the port of Tallinn in order to go to Sweden via Helsinki. Only then were we told that the Swedish arrangements were cancelled and we had to wait nearly two months, homeless and almost destitute, before the journey to Australia via Vladivostock could be arranged.

It was Saturday, October 26 when we eventually set off for Riga, where the various members of the three Baltic States assembled. On Sunday, the 27th, our special train left Riga for a ten-days' trek to Vladivostock. It consisted of eight wagon-lit coaches and a dining-car conveyed 76 Britishers, besides the Intourist staff and one coach for ordinary passengers.

We had received full warning of the difficulties of this arduous journey and were prepared for some measure of discomfort and tedium. We were

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## Nazi Air Losses Yesterday

### Nine Downed In Abortive Raids

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—At least nine German planes were destroyed over England.

This morning several waves crossed the coast of Kent and headed towards London. However, anti-aircraft batteries and fighting planes broke up the formations and sent the Germans scurrying out to sea again, with one or two units missing.

Nine raiders dropped 18 high explosive bombs on an East Anglian town and dive bombed on Aldeburgh. Four of the crew of a stricken raider bailed out with parachutes and were captured.

***64 Lost In A Week***

LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Sixty-four German and 13 Italian planes were shot down over Britain during the week ending midnight on November 16.

In the same period, six British fighters were lost but the pilots of three are safe.

Detailed figures were:

November 10.—German, nil; British, nil.

November 11.—German, 12; Italians, 13; British, 2.

November 12.—German, one; British, nil.

November 13.—German, six; British, nil.

November 14.—German, 21; British, two (both pilots safe).

November 15.—German, 23; British, two (one pilot safe).

November 16.—German, one; British, nil.

***11 Down Yesterday***

London, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Eleven enemy aircraft were shot down in raids on Britain to-day.

Four British fighters were lost but the pilots of three are safe.

## Gen. Catroux Was In Chungking

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HANOI, Nov. 17 (Domei).—General Georges Catroux, who joined the anti-German forces under General Charles de Gaulle in London after resigning the post of Governor-General of Indo-China, was in Chungking on November 16 to confer with Chiang Kai-shek, it was reliably reported here.

## FRANCO-GERMAN BARGAIN

### Currency Exchange For Trade Fixed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, Nov. 17 (UP).—After M. Laval's return here from Paris it was officially announced that an agreement on compensations had been concluded in Paris. The terms will become effective immediately.

They provide for the establishment of clearing centres in Paris and Berlin for trade between Germany, France and the French colonies on the basis of 20 francs to the mark.

The agreement also extends to Bohemia, Moravia, Syria and Lebanon and applies to both the occupied and unoccupied zones in France. The new agreement gives the normal Reichsmark a value of 20 francs.

***Reports To Petain***

M. Laval arrived from Paris by automobile at 11.40 a.m. and immediately went into conference with Marshal Petain, reporting on his conversations in Paris with the German authorities and also with the Spanish Foreign Minister when the latter was in Paris on Friday.

The conversations with Senor Suner concerned general French and Spanish problems, and their mutual interests in North Africa, including Tangier and Morocco.

Throughout the unoccupied zones, millions of pictures of Marshal Petain in uniform have been sold, and are expected to realise at least 25,000,000 francs which will be devoted to the relief of prisoners of war, refugees and unemployed.

## Italian Armed Column Smashed

ATHENS, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—An Italian armed column has been smashed up by Greek troops operating on the eastern sector of the front, according to reports received here.

It is reported but not confirmed, that a large number of tanks which were dispersed, have crossed the frontier into Yugo-Slavia to avoid capture.

## ATTACK ON NAZI SUPPLY SHIP

*Recently the Fleet Air Arm have carried out offensive reconnaissances over the Norwegian coast, where oil tanks, a German military camp, supply ships and transports have been successfully bombed. In this official photograph we see a direct hit on a German supply ship of about 2,500 tons in Haugesund.*



## Mussolini To Speak: May Mention Greece

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

ROME, Nov. 17 (UP).—Mussolini will give his first speech of the war to-morrow on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the League of Nations application of sanctions against Italy.

The last time Il Duce spoke he declared war on France and Britain.

It has been confirmed that the speech will be broadcast to the nation but the site of the address has not been disclosed.

It will be recalled that British bombers attacked Munich when Hitler gave an address recently. It is generally believed that Il Duce will speak from the balcony of the Venice Palace because he is receiving Fascist leaders there at 12.30 p.m.

***Probable Line Of Speech***

According to Senor Roberto Farinacci, former Secretary General of the Fascist Party, the speech will attack British propaganda and especially the British claims with regard to the raids on Taranto.

Informed quarters have suggested that in view of the recent series of Axis diplomatic conferences, Il Duce may touch diplomatic issues in which the United States are concerned. The Italo-Greek conflict is also mentioned as another probable subject.

To-day's Italian war communique spoke of intense fighting on the Greek front but mentioned no movements on either side. The communique also detailed the usual air attacks and counter-attacks by British and Italian aircraft in Africa.

## General Chang Buried

CHUNGKING, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The remains of General Chang Tso-chung, who was killed in action on the east bank of the Han River during the Ichang battle, were laid to rest yesterday afternoon at Peipal, famous hot springs resort north of Chungking.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek went to Peipal from Chungking to attend the burial.

# HUGE GUNS ROAR IN CHANNEL DUEL ON SUNDAY

*By Ned Russell*
UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT

LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—The flashes of exploding bombs dumped by the R.A.F. lit up the French coast from Bologne to Calais to-day and touched off an intensive retaliatory shelling of the Dover area by the German long range guns.

The British attack on the "invasion coast" had scarcely subsided when the Big Berthas around Cap Gris Nez and Calais, across the narrowest point on the Channel, belched, the shells screaming across the water.

Flashes of the German guns were visible from the southeast coast of England which trembled under the thunder of the cannon.

***Challenge Accepted***

British guns on "Hell's Corner," on the cliffs around Dover took up the challenge and for nearly three hours the artillery kept up the duel across the brightly moonlit channel.

At intervals of three minutes, great explosions rocked towns on the English coast and hundreds of persons hurried to vantage points on the cliffs to watch the spectacle.

R.A.F. airmen encountered intense counter-fire while seeking their targets, the crashes of exploding bombs being followed by bursts as shells and searchlight beams raked the sky.

***Hamburg Blasted***

The Air Ministry reported that the largest force of British bombers yet to attack Hamburg blasted a great number of industrial and communication centres on Saturday night and long "great billowing red flames" were reported to be surging over the targets of Germany's second largest city, major port and industrial centre upon which the R.A.F. have concentrated some of their longest and most intense attacks.

***12-Hour Raid***

The first of the R.A.F. pilots arrived over Hamburg at nightfall and the last one was there at 6 a.m. Relay after relay battered the military objectives with scarcely an interruption.

Tons of bombs are reported to have been dropped on the targets, including railway yards and oil refineries at Alton and the electrical objectives in the Millwarder and Moorfleth districts. One whole force of aircraft were said to have concentrated on the Blohm and Voss shipyards, which are among the most important in Germany.

Other raiders are credited with night attacks on the aerodromes and ports at widely scattered points in German territory. Daylight attacks are reported to have been made on

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## Hitler Peace Terms

London newspapers reported that Hitler sent peace terms to the United States, states the "Associated Press."

A dispatch from London listed these two terms:

One, "The British empire, being undefeated and unconquered, to remain as it is"; and

Two, "Europe, being conquered by Germany, is to be regarded as outside Britain's sphere of interest."

It was added that Hitler was willing "to sign a 10-year non-aggression pact with both Britain and the United States" and to "agree to disarmament under 'conditions of equality' and the taking of the status quo as the basis.'"

## Deny War On Thai Border

### Vichy And Hanoi Statements

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HANOI, Nov. 17 (UP).—Authorised quarters here have denied the reports that war has broken out on the Thailand border.

***No Knowledge***

VICHY, Nov. 17 (UP).—The French Foreign Office to-day said they have "absolutely no knowledge" in the reports that war has broken out between Thailand and Indo-China.

The Ministry for the Colonies said "We have received absolutely nothing to indicate that there has been any fighting, or even incidents on the border."

"It is known, however, that Thai has mobilised and moved troops to the frontier of Cambodia, and has also concentrated 100 new fighting planes recently delivered from the United States in the region between Korat and the Mekong River."

LATEST

## H.K.'s Governor May Return Soon

Intimation that the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote may be returning to the Colony to resume office early next year has been received in Hongkong.

Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, the Governor's Aide-de-Camp told the "Telegraph" to-day that he had recently received a letter from His Excellency in which he said he hoped to return early next year.

No definite information had yet been received on the subject.

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# Rumanian Earthquake Havoc and Fatalities

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

BUCHAREST, Nov. 17 (UP).—King Michael's mother, upon her return here to-day from an extended visit to the regions devastated by the recent earthquake, found many telegrams of condolence awaiting her at the Royal Palace.

Among them were messages from King Victor of Italy, King Gustaf of Sweden, King Christian of Denmark and the Presidents of the United States and Chile. President Roosevelt's message expressed his own and the American people's sympathy.

The death roll throughout the country is now known to be 411 but it is estimated that between 90 to 100 people are still crushed under the ruins of the Carlton Hotel. A fire has been raging for more than a week in an apartment house. It is now nearly extinguished but the smell of burned household wood and human flesh is keeping the residents away.

## Little Likelihood Of Return Of Evacuates' At Present

It has been officially indicated that there is little likelihood of it being possible to allow the return of the Hongkong evacuates in the near future.

This is revealed in a letter from the Colonial Secretariat acknowledging the petition of the 147 women in Sydney to be permitted to return to Hongkong. The petition was received by the "Hongkong Telegraph," and forwarded at the request of the petitioners to the Government.

Acknowledging receipt of the petition Mr. C. Bramall Burgess, on behalf of the Colony Secretary writes:

Sir,—With reference to your letter, of the 2nd November with which you forwarded a petition from certain ladies who were evacuated from this Colony and are at present in Australia, I am directed by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government to inform you that the matter dealt with in this petition are at present under consideration and that, while there is little likelihood of it being possible to allow the return of evacuates in the near future, a further reply will be sent as soon as possible after the matter has been fully examined.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

(signed)
C. Bramall Burgess.

# Turmoil In Shanghai: Shot Japanese Dies

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

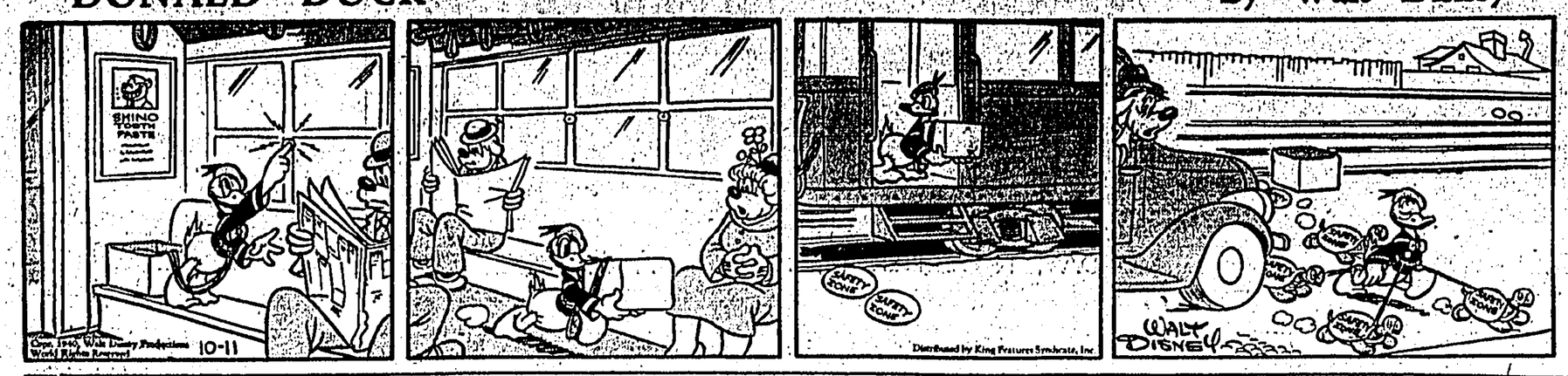
SHANGHAI, Nov. 17 (UP).—The Japanese army officer who was shot in the Hongkew sector on Saturday has died.

The Japanese-controlled Hongkew sector and the International Settlement were in a turmoil last night and to-day, as the Japanese Naval Landing Party cordoned Hongkew and herded approximately 2,000 Chinese and Japanese into the Gulsan Gardens (an open park), and then liberated them singly after they had been interrogated.

The Japanese were included in the round-up because of the reports that the gunman or his accomplices shouted words in Japanese language.

Japanese authorities have denied, although they are not willing to issue a formal denial, the unconfirmed Chinese reports which alleged that a Chinese mob stoned Japanese sentries in Chapoo Road while trying to escape from the Hongkew district. They said the Japanese sentries fired on the mob when it became [illegible] wounding [illegible]

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The Meeting will be called to order at 7.15 p.m.

Tickets for the dinner, which will follow the close of business will be $5.00 per head.

Dress will be informal.

Hon. Secretary.

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Tokyo, Nov. 17.

Continuing the expansion of Japan's air transport service overseas, the Japan Airways Company is inaugurating next spring a new air service between Taihoku in Formosa and Palao in the Japanese Mandated Islands in the South Seas.—Domei.

# Air Raid Service Communications

A comprehensive test in the sending and receiving of messages during air raids was carried out at Air Raids Precautions headquarters yesterday, when the essential services, such as Police, Medical, Waterworks and Drainage Departments, assisted the A.R.P. personnel.

Among those present at headquarters test were the Director of A.R.P., Wing-Commander A.H.S. Steele-Perkins, Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue (Commissioner of Police), Hon. Mr. H. J. Pearce (Director of Public Works), Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke (Director of Medical Services), Mr. B. H. Puckle, Col. L. A. Newnham, Mr. M. L. Bevan, who acted as controller, Mr. W. W. C. Shewan, and Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Dunlop, who were in charge of plotting the affected areas.

Messages received from the various centres were taken down in the telephone room on "air raid damage" forms and communicated to the reporting room, where the affected areas were traced and plotted by means of small flags on the district maps. Representative flags were used for types of bombs used, mains and cables damaged, roads blocked, buildings demolished and unexploded bombs, while other flags indicated the sort of assistance required from Police, decontamination, medical, road, water, gas, electrical sewer and telephone repairs, and rescue, demolition and burial parties.

Thirty messages were received from five report centres in the course of the test, which lasted nearly two hours. Over 40 high explosive bombs and several poison gas and incendiary bombs were reported to have been dropped, and the messages indicated the damage, casualties and assistance wanted.

Unexploded bombs were reported from various centres. The poison gas bombs used comprised mustard, phosgene and tear gas.

The exercise, which doubtless provided good training for the wardens in the communicating of damage reports, concluded with the disposal of the last message.

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

**1.45 Alfred Campoli and His Orchestra.**

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

**6.02 Variety with Gloria Grafton, Turner Layton, and Others.**

**7.0 London Relay—The News.**

**7.15 London Relay—'Questions of the Hour.'**

**7.30 Dance Music by Harry Roy and His Orchestra.**

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 This week's programmes.

**8.07 Harry Davidson at the Organ.**

Chu Chin Chow—Selection (Norton), Lilac Time—Selection.

**8.15 London Relay—Variety: 'Hi Gang!'**

**9.0 London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.**

**9.30 Haydn—Quartet in E Major Op. 54, No. 3.**

**9.48 Songs from Oratorios.**

**10.10 Piano Solos by Anatole Kitain.**

**10.15 Schubert—Symphony No. 7 in C Major.**

The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Adrian Boult.

11.0 Close down.

## Kowloon Catholics' Charity Function

Good support was given to the parochial bazaar held by the Catholic Ladies' Association yesterday at the Little Flower Club, King's Park, in aid of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. All the prizes were donated by friends and the helpers gave voluntary service.

The bazaar was opened in the afternoon by Mgr. H. Valtorta, Vicar Apostolic.

In the evening the grounds were illuminated with coloured lights.

The Hot Dog and Aerated Water Stall was run by Mesdames C. E. Marques, P. A. Yvanovich, G. M. C. Sequeira, L. M. Xavier and F. X. Monteiro. Other stalls were run by Miss M. D'Almada e Castro and friends; admission tickets were supervised by members of the Rosary Church Conference; Lucky Well was run by Miss Aurea Baptista, Tea stall and 10 cents and 50 cents stalls by members of the Catholic Ladies' Association; Wheel by Mrs. Triggs and friends; and Dice by Miss Cita Xavier and friends.

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Washington, Nov. 15.

President Roosevelt has nominated Mr. Harry Millis to the chairmanship of the National Labour Relations Board.—*United Press.*

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Parcel Post Service to Canton is temporarily suspended.

The Imperial Airways Service between Hongkong and Bangkok is temporarily suspended. Air mail correspondence will be accepted at the existing rates of postage and will be forwarded by the first opportunity by steamer to Singapore to connect with the east and west bound air services.

An air mail service providing a connection with British Overseas Airways at Rangoon will be available during the period of suspension of the Hongkong-Bangkok Service. The postage rates for all destinations will be $1.50 per ½ oz. for letters and $0.75 each for postcards. Mail for this service should be superscribed "Via Rangoon" and bear the usual blue air mail label.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

**INWARD MAILS**

Java .....Nov. 18.
U.S.A. and Manila—(Seattle date, 15th October).....Nov. 20.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service," San Francisco date, 12th November ....Nov. 21.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, and Shanghai —(Vancouver B.C., date, 2nd November).....Nov. 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 25th October) .....Nov. 21.
Java and Manila .....Nov. 23.
London and Straits .....Nov. 24.
London and Straits .....Nov. 25.

**OUTWARD MAIL TIMES**

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**Monday, Nov. 18**

Sandakan .....1.30 p.m.
Rangoon .....3.30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Nov. 19**

Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

K.P.O.
Reg. .....Nov. 19, 10 a.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 19, 10.30 a.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. .....Nov. 19, 10 a.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 19, 10.30 a.m.

Straits and Calcutta
Par. .....Nov. 19, 10.30 a.m.
Let. .....Nov. 19, 11.30 a.m.

**Thursday, Nov. 21**

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

K. P. O.
Reg. .....Nov. 21, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 21, 5.30 p.m.
G. P. O.
Reg. .....Nov. 21, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 21, 7.00 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 22

Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

K.P.O.
Reg. .....Nov. 22, 4 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 22, 4.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. .....Nov. 22, 4 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 22, 4.30 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 26

Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya.....8.30 a.m.

Straits and Calcutta
Parcels, .....Nov. 26, 1 p.m.
Letters .....Nov. 26, 2 p.m.

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island.
K. P. O.
Reg. .....Nov. 26, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 26, 5.30 p.m.
G. P. O.
Reg. .....Nov. 26, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 26, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 27

Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and South Africa and United-Kingdom
K. P. O.
Parcels, .....Nov. 27, 5 p.m.
Reg. .....Nov. 27, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 23, 5.30 a.m.
G. P. O.
Parcels, .....Nov. 27, 5 p.m.
Reg. .....Nov. 27, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....Nov. 28, 5.30 a.m.

*Superscribed Correspondence Only.

# Canton River Farce: Fatshan Is Held Up

Although Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, agents for the river steamer Fatshan, are unable to resume their Canton service, under the present restrictions, the Japanese steamer Shirogane Maru is scheduled to arrive at Hongkong from Canton on Wednesday.

The manager of the O.S.K. has announced that, according to information received from Canton, the Shirogane Maru will arrive on Wednesday and return to Canton the following day.

The Japanese Consul-General at Hongkong, Mr. K. Okazaki, said during the weekend that the restrictions imposed on ships between Hongkong and Canton have not been modified or lifted.

Messrs. Butterfield & Swire have little hope of resuming the service while the present restrictions are enforced. No ship is allowed to carry more than 100 passengers or any cargo, and it is believed that the receipts from 100 passengers would at the most bring in $1,000, compared with the expenditure of at least $3,000 for a single trip.

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The Tai Yuen Bank, Ltd., is permitted under the Hongkong Defence (Finance) Regulations to sell Chinese currency and to remit money to China.

# Son of Ex-Governor And Wife Murdered

**IPOH, Nov. 7.—Perak police are engaged in one of the most intense manhunts of recent years in an endeavour to arrest the person, or persons, who shot dead Mr. Charleton Neville Maxwell and his wife in their bungalow on Maryland Estate, Lumut, last night.**

Mr. Maxwell retired from the Malayan Civil Service as Commissioner of Trade and Customs in 1927, since when he had been engaged in planting activities in the Lumut district.

He was a son of Sir William Maxwell, a former acting Governor of the S.S. and a brother of Sir George Maxwell, a former Chief Secretary to Government, F.M.S. He was 68 years of age.

The shooting is thought to have taken place, after the Maxwells had retired. The bungalow is in an isolated part of the estate and the estate itself is eight miles from the nearest village, Sagiri.

Information was conveyed to the police by a ten-year-old girl who is the adopted child of the Maxwells. She was in the house at the time.

Mr. Maxwell was appointed to the land office in Selangor in 1890 and for three years after this was attached to the Sarawak Civil Service. He served as Private Secretary to his father, who was then Acting Governor of the Colony, in 1893. There have been Maxwells in Malaya since 1856, when Sir Peter Benson Maxwell was appointed Recorder in Penang, becoming Recorder in Singapore in 1866.

On the transfer of the Straits Settlements from the India Office to the Colonial Office in 1867, Sir Peter became Chief Justice. He retired in 1871 and three of his sons joined the Civil Service in the Colony. Of these, Sir William Maxwell, who joined the Service in 1865 and left the Colony in 1894 on promotion to be Governor of the Gold Coast, was the best known.

Mr. Charleton Maxwell, a grandson of Sir Peter, served in the South African war from 1900-1901 winning the Queen's medal with five clasps. —*Singapore Free Press.*

## Hitler Reprisals Against Dies

Washington, Nov. 16.

It is declared here that Hitler has planned reprisals against any disclosures made by the Dies Committee which is investigating un-American activities.

Mr. Martin Dies said that he possessed a 500 page White Paper showing purported Fifth Column activities by German Consuls and agents which he will probably issue within the next few hours. He is obtaining the approval of the other Committeemen. Other reports will be issued later dealing with the activities of Italian agents.—*United Press.*

## WAR FUND REVUE

A bright revue full of topical humour was presented by the Nursing Detachment of the H.K.V.D.C. in aid of the British War Organisation Fund in the lower hall of the Helena May Institute at 9.30 p.m. on Saturday.

A full house with many forced to stand found plenty to laugh at in the entertainment, which was called "Pure and Simple" and was produced by Tim Fortescue.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

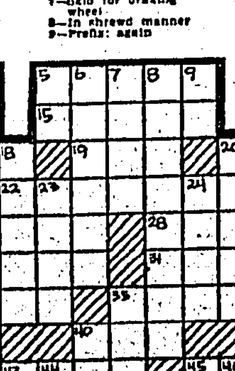
**ACROSS**

1—Go by
5—Oil of rose
10—Long ago
14—Wide-mouthed pit
15—Small bag for carrying money
16—Refuse executive approval to
17—Resigning of town
19—Immature louse
20—Tropical tree
21—Evening before
22—Lassitude of body
23—First woman
26—Planet of solar system
28—Fished by towing hook and line
30—Religious image
31—Comfortable feeling
32—Make less hard
33—Musical composition in quick time
39—Set of two articles
40—Secret agent
41—Leading character
42—Chenille-like embroiders thread
45—Searched uncertainly
47—Become fatigued
48—Bound made by lion
49—Strained to high degree
52—Copper arsenate
54—With maiden name of
57—Rat-wax
58—Members of human race
60—Avoid
62—Man's name
63—Commence
65—Mexican dollar
66—Long reptile
68—Gigantic monster
69—Large plant
70—Looks at amorously
71—Common fruit

**DOWN**

1—Capital of ancient Poland
2—Animated
3—Slumber
4—Droop in middle
5—Prefix from
6—Underground passageway
7—Grid for braking wheel
8—In shrewd manner
9—Prefix: again
10—Girl's name
11—Push back
12—Make hole by collision
13—Pulled
18—Keep clear of
20—Writing without metrical structure
23—Boon
24—Verbal
27—Chemically test solution by standard process
29—Breed of domestic fowls
32—Watering place
33—Device for propelling boat
34—Evergreen tree
35—Imitate slavishly
36—Reputation (col.)
37—Unworked metal deposit
38—Organic surface-soil
40—Making grimace of contempt
43—Before now
44—Gaelic language
45—Pierce, as with horn
46—Precipitates moisture
48—Fabricate over again
49—Clumsy
50—At no time
51—Harass in petty way
53—Visible representation
54—The earth
55—Pass inward through
56—River in East Russia
61—Female deer
64—Gummi
66—To such a degree
67—Plural suffix

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE





# Firing Practices Are Being Held To-day

Firing practice as under is notified for to-day, November 18, by the Military authorities:

(a) Heavy Gun Firing Practice will be carried out by Royal Navy from H.M.S. Robin between the hour of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Firing Area "A" will be affected.

(b) Light Gun Firing Practice between 6 p.m. and 12 midnight. Firing Areas "D" and "E" affected.

For November 19.—(a) Heavy Gun Practice between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Firing Areas "A" and "B" affected (b) Heavy Gun Anti-Aircraft Practice in the north-eastern area of the Island between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Firing Area "B" affected. (c) Light Gun Practice between 6 p.m. and 12 midnight. Firing Areas "D" and "E" affected.

Heavy Gun Anti-Aircraft Practice will be carried out in the north-eastern area of the Island between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. on November 20.

For November 21.—(a) Light Gun Firing Practice between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. from two positions on the Island. Firing Areas "A", "B", "C" and "D" will be affected. (b) Heavy Gun Anti-Aircraft Practice in the north-eastern area of the Island between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Firing Area "B" affected.

For November 22.—(a) Heavy Gun Firing Practice between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Firing Areas "C" and "D" affected. Alternative date November 24. (b) Heavy Gun Anti-Aircraft Practice in the north-eastern area of the Island between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Firing Area "B" affected. (c) Light Gun Practice between 6 p.m. and 12 midnight. Firing Areas "D" and "E" affected.

For November 23.—(a) Heavy Gun Firing Practice between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Firing Areas "A" and "B" affected. Alternative date November 24. (b) Heavy Gun Anti-Aircraft Practice in the north-eastern area of the Island between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Firing Area "B" affected.

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# Hongkong News of the Week

## A Page For The Evacuees



## Sunday

*November 10*

**Remembrance Day.** Remembrance Sunday was celebrated to-day at the St. John's Cathedral and St. Andrew's Church, when special prayers of intercession were said for those who gave up their lives for their country in the last war. The two churches were crowded. The Rev. J. R. Higgs conducted the service at St. Andrew's, while at the Cathedral the Dean, the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson was the preacher. His Excellency the Governor, Lieut.-General E. F. Norton, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., attended by Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, A.D.C., were present at the Cathedral service, and among the congregation were Major-General A. E. Grasett, D.S.O., M.C., the General Officer Commanding, attended by Capt. R. E. T. St. John, A.D.C., Rear-Admiral A. M. Peters, the Commodore and Sir Atholl MacGregor, the Chief Justice. His Excellency the Governor read the second lesson. Collections at both churches were for Earl Haig's Fund.

**Wins Golf Tourney.** F. D. Hunter, with a card of 75 and 73 (148) won the Jasper Clark Cup golf competition at Fanling to-day, and simultaneously won the Royal Hongkong Golf Club title. T. A. Pearce, the Colony champion, was second with an aggregate of 150. L. R. Andrewes had the best return on the Old Course with a 75 and K. S. Robertson and S. Tomlinson tied for the best card on the New Course with 79

**Volunteers' Lawn Bowls.** Matches in the quarter and semi-finals of the Volunteer Inter-Unit bowls competition for the "China Mail" Cup were decided to-day. Results:

**Quarter-Finals**

At Recreio, A.S.C. Coy. A beat First Battery A, 28-8.

F. Cullen, W. Hyde, J. G. Meyer and E. Kern (A.S.C. A) beat P. Morrison, J. R. Carr, B. I. Bickford and J. Watson (1st. Batty).

At Kowloon Cricket Club, 5th. A.A. Battery beat Field Engineers A 20-14.

W. Melrose, R. Main, R. M. Keown and V. C. Chalmers (5th. A.A.) beat L. Sykes, J. Bottomley, J. L. Stephens and A. Spary (Field Engineers).

**Semi-Finals**

At Kowloon Football Club 5th A.A. Battery beat No. 6 Coy A 17-16.

W. Melrose, R. Main, R. M. Keown and V. C. Chalmers (5th A.A.) beat J. Luz, H. Alves, J. F. Ribeiro and F. Ribeiro (No. 6 Coy).

At Kowloon Cricket Club, A.S.C. Coy. A beat Field Engineers C 21-10.

F. Cullen, W. Hyde, J. G. Meyer and E. Kern beat A. M. Calman, J. G. Ozorio, R. Lapsley and Morrison (Field Engineers).

**School Experiment.** At a meeting of the Board of Education held in the Board Room of the Bank of East Asia, the Board considered proposed amendments to the Draft of Part IV of the new Grant Code dealing with regulations concerning admission, attendance, and curriculum as put forward by the Grant Schools Council. Certain changes were agreed to, and the amended form of Part IV of the Code was unanimously approved by the Board.

Consideration was given to a memorandum of the Vernacular Education Sub-Committee on the question of permitting separate morning and afternoon sessions in Chinese Primary Vernacular Schools.

After discussion it was unanimously agreed that under existing conditions in view of the large number of refugees in the Colony, the experiment of "two-division" schools appears to be justifiable as a temporary measure subject to the following restrictions.

(1) The experiment be confined to Lower and Higher Primary Vernacular Schools.

(2) The length of the scheme should be limited, permission to continue to be requested at the end of each school year.

(3) Each child should have a minimum of 22 hours schooling per week.

(4) No teacher should be employed in the schools for more than 30 hours each week.

(5) Any consequent changes in the curriculum to be subject to the approval of the Director of Education. New time-tables, which must be submitted, to show clearly how the number of periods or length of periods has been reduced.

(6) Permission to operate "two-division" schools must not be used as an argument against building additional or new premises as soon as circumstances permit.

(7) All schools desiring to operate on a "two-division" system must obtain the previous permission of the Director.

Mr. C. A. Goodban, M.A., who has been nominated by the Hongkong Grant Schools Council, is to be a member of the Board of Education for a period of two years, with effect from November 1.

## Monday

*November 11*

**New Evacuation Plan.** The following communique regarding evacuation was issued by the Hongkong Government to-day.

In certain eventualities it may become necessary to organise the evacuation of such women and children irrespective of race as wish to leave the Colony and for whom a refuge can be found.

It is evident that the question of finding the requisite ships may be difficult if notice is short, and that, in fact, demand may exceed supply.

It is important therefore to have a carefully prepared plan well in advance of any such emergency.

The policy of the Government is to provide transport accommodation in the following order of priority, for those who wish to go:

(a) Wives and children of members of combatant forces, irrespective of race.

(b) Wives and children, irrespective of race, of those who work would be necessarily exposed, such as the Police Force, Fire Brigade, A.R.P. Services, certain medical services, employees of the Royal Naval Dockyard, etc.

(c) All others irrespective of race.

As the numbers involved are impossible to estimate it is essential that some roster of priority be prepared. It has therefore been arranged to provide a card to be filled in by those who wish to avail themselves when the time comes of any such organised after the 18th day of November on application at the headquarters of the various organisations given above and also at the General Post Office for those in the last category.

After a card has been completed by a person whose husband is in one of the organisations in categories (a) or (b) it should be handed in to the headquarters of that organisation. If the person is in the last category the card should be passed over the counter at the General Post Office where it will be stamped with the date and time of receipt.

A priority list as regards the last category will be compiled from such written applications in the order in which the cards are received at the General Post Office where a date and time of receipt will be stamped.

After the analysis of the above lists it will be possible to examine the possibility of providing transport and to make further efforts to find refuges for those who have nowhere to go.

It must be made clear that the decision as to when such a scheme is put into force must rest with the Hongkong Government. Once the order to put it into operation has been given anyone who refuses accommodation offered will automatically go to the bottom of the list.

Although the application card offers an invitation to give the choice of the place of destination no undertaking can be given that a person will be transported to such place. It may be mentioned that the Colony of Fiji has already expressed its readiness to accept evacuees of Chinese race to the number of 500.

Whilst Government undertakes to defray the cost of transport to destination of refuge it is probable that evacuees themselves will have to arrange for the cost of their own maintenance thereafter.

**Armistice Day.**—Armistice Day was observed this year without the customary military parade and public commemorations, such as gathering of schoolchildren. As in former years, however, wreaths were laid in remembrance of the fallen at the Cenotaph and Chinese War Memorial and prayers were offered in the Churches.

His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lt.-General E. F. Norton, accompanied by his A.D.C., Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, laid a wreath of Flanders poppies at the Cenotaph at 8.15 a.m., and then proceeded to the Chinese War Memorial at the Botanic Gardens where he laid another wreath.

Among those present at the Gardens to witness the informal ceremony were the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North (Secretary for Chinese Affairs), the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Mr. W. N. T. Tam, Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins (Labour Officer), Mr. T. F. Lo (Chairman of the Po Leung Kuk), Mr. Lee Yu-cheung (Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospitals' Committee), Messrs. Y. K. Chow, Lam Ming-fan, Yeung Ngok-fai, P. C. Kwok, Kan Man (members of the Tung Wah Hospitals' Committee), Messrs. Fok Po-choi and Cheung Man-tung (members of the Po Leung Kuk Committee), and Inspector G. W. Moreton (Officer-in-charge of the District Watch Force).

Wreaths were also laid by the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, and the Hon. Mr. W. N. T. Tam, the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, and on behalf of the Tung Wah Hospitals, Po Leung Kuk and the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade.

**Wreaths Laid at Cenotaph**

At 11 a.m. the President of the Hongkong and China Branch of the British Legion, Mr. A. W. Hughes, and Mr. F. C. Hall, laid a wreath at the Cenotaph. Others in the official party were Messrs. G. G. N. Tinson, H. V. Wilkinson, D. Kossick, F. G. Maunder, Major C. M. Manners, and Mr. C. Trott, representing the Merchant Navy.

A wreath from the Royal Scots was laid by Lt.-Col. D. J. McDougall, accompanied by Lieut. and Quartermaster J. R. Pirie, the procession including Sgt. Fraser, R. S. M. Goodfellow, Sgt. McAlpine, C. S. M. Stanford, C. S. M. Milne and Pte. Jardine.

A wreath from the Free Frenchmen of Hongkong was also laid by Mr. L. Blau, who was accompanied by Messrs. A. Morant, E. Grivaud and E. Strauss.

Other wreaths were laid by M. Louis Reynaud, Consul General for France; Hongkong Rotary Club, represented by Dr. Arthur Woo, Prof. R. C. Robertson and Lt. Col. E. S. Doughty; President, Committee and members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders; Hongkong Police; President, Members and Committee of St. George's Society; Union Church; Boy Scout's Association; Toc H. Kowloon Circle; the Commodore, Officers and men of H. M. Ships and Naval Establishments; the G. O. C. and All Ranks, British Troops in China; "Albuhera"; Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation; the Hon. Sir. R. Kotewall, the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Tam, and the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo; Taikoo; China Coast Officers' Guild and Marine Engineers Guild of China; George Watson; R. A. F.; Hongkong Girl Guides; Australian and New Zealand Association; St. John Ambulance Brigade; Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, represented by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson; Hongkong Cricket Club Mr. Paul V. MacLean, Canadian Trade Commissioner and Ewo Shore and Floating staff.

**Armistice Day Cricket.** Two all-day matches between the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Hongkong Cricket Club were played to-day, resulting in both instances in easy wins for the K.C.C. On their own ground the H.K.C.C. seniors were dismissed for 76 (D. J. N. Anderson 3 for 4, N. D. Lloyd 4 for 33), to which the K.C.C. replied with 100 for 6 dec. (N. A. E. Mackay 35, F. R. Zimmern 37). The K.C.C. juniors beat their visitors by 102 runs. The home side scored 213 for 9 dec. (J. Macauley 97, K. M. Baxter 50, L. R. Birch 30). The Cricket Club were out for 111 (Baldwin 4 for 44, Curtis 3 for 28).

**Poppy Day Football.** In the annual Poppy Day football match the Rest of the League beat the Combined Services by three goals to nil. His Excellency the Governor attended the match, which attracted a huge crowd and produced a handsome contribution towards the Poppy Day Fund.

## "Men Of Harlech:" Hongkong Version

*With Acknowledgments To "Argus"*

Men of Hongkong, lonely, thwarted,
Whether we be drawn and quartered
We demand our dear deported.
Desperation drives.
We don't care for wars or famine
We want no excuse, no gammon.
Bachelor fun with to much Jamon's
Ruining our lives.
All our pleas rejected—
Fallacies erected.
We prefer
To be with her
We'd rather have them back and be henpecked.
All together
Let us bleither!
Let us not be baulked by why or whether.
Are we men or are we wethers?
Give us back our wives.

## Tuesday

*November 12*

**Birth.** The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Tod of 299 The Peak will be interested to read the following announcement which appeared in "The Times" on September 10

"SYMONS—On September 13, 1940 at Wingfield Nursing Home, Plymouth, to Margaret (nee Tod) wife of Capt. J. W. D. Symons, R.A., a son."

**Children's Home.** The Fanling Children's Home has welcomed another 123 children with their mothers. There are now 33 in the Home and they have all settled down very happily amidst the attractive rural surroundings of Fanling. The first batch of 64 children from the Po Leung Kuk were transferred to the Matauchung Camp on Monday, and it is understood that a further batch of 100 will be transferred to the camp shortly, thus reducing the congestion at the Po Leung Kuk.

## Review Of The Principal Topics November 10 To Nov. 16

## Wednesday

*November 13*

**Death of Young Soldier.** The funeral of Signalman W. A. Taylor, of the Hongkong Signal Company, who died on Tuesday at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road, following a brief illness, took place at the Colonial Cemetery, Happy Valley, to-day. Full military honours were accorded.

Signalman Taylor, who was only 21 years old, had been stationed in Hongkong for three years. He was a member of the Signals water polo team. His home in England was in Kenilworth, Warwickshire.

The service was conducted by the Rev. S. Hinchliffe, Army Chaplain. The deceased's brother, Lance Corporal A. Taylor of the Hongkong Signal Company, was the chief mourner. Those present included Lieut.-Col. E. Levett, the Chief Signal Officer, Major L. Hayes, Officer Commanding the Hongkong Signal Company, and other officers.

**River Reopening Farce.** Under present Japanese requirements it will take passengers nine days to reach Canton from Hongkong instead of the normal seven hours, shipping circles believe.

The requirements put forward by the Japanese for resumption of passenger traffic on November 20 call for four days quarantine on arrival at Macao Fort, Canton, and the formalities to be completed before a passenger can leave Hongkong will take four days. The trip will account for another day.

**Fewer Refugees.** A decrease of 386 persons was shown in the figures supplied by the Medical authorities showing the position in the Hongkong refugee camps on November 9, as compared with November 2. Figures for November 9 were given below with those for November 2 in brackets:

King's Park 1,286 (1,304); Matauchung 1,181 (1,502); North Point 1,306 (1,304); Morrison Hill 530 (539). Tai Hang Squatters Camp 2,557 (2,557); Ngau Tau Kok Squatters Camp 797 (798), Kam Tin 1,836 (1,970). The Fanling Children's Camp which was opened on November 3 is now holding 180 inmates.

Soldiers.—Argyle Street 704 (708); in hospital 18 (16).

The grand total on November 9 was 10,491, as compared with 10,877 on November 2.

**Plenty of Water.** According to the monthly report issued by the Water Authority, the storage in the Island reservoirs at the end of October was 1,975.38 million gallons as against 1,950.81 million gallons at the same date last year. In Kowloon, the contents were 2,869.97 million gallons, compared with 3,212.03 million gallons last October.

During the month the consumption in Hongkong totalled 592.69 million gallons (including 240.46 million gallons from Kowloon and 7.02 million gallons of unfiltered water) by an estimated population of 630,000 at the rate of 23 gallons per head per day, as against 521.03 million gallons by 960,000 people (including villages) at 18.2 gallons per head per day in October, 1939.

The consumption in Kowloon and New Kowloon, excluding Lai Chi Kok Water Boat Dock, totalled 408.53 million gallons by an estimated population of 770,000 at the rate of 17.1 gallons per head per day, compared with 367.51 million gallons by 890,000 persons at 13.3 gallons per head per day last year. The Lai Chi Kok Water Boat Dock consumed 6.14 million gallons as against 5.01 million gallons, while consumption of unfiltered water in villages (independent supplies) totalled 15.61 million gallons, compared with 13.46 million gallons.

Throughout last month, both in Hongkong and Kowloon, there was a constant supply, whereas in October, 1939, only a 17-hour supply was provided. The reports of the Government Bacteriologist and Analyst show that the quality of the water on both sides of the Harbour was excellent.

## 'Erbert 'Iggs Drops A Line To The 'ongkong Evacuates

*deer evacuates*

*the editer arsked me ter drop yu gals a few lines jest ter say evryfings honkytonk in honkytonk and we orl opes yore orl gettin on orlrite darn in the antipathies*

*wun fing I kin tell yer—dont warry obart the ole men up here becos theyre orlrite but I dont fink many ov em is goin in fer pirth control and the starry farm bloke sez it's sold more sossiges than enyfing else since yu wos evacuated*

*corlovaduck I orlways thort a grass widder wos the wife ov a vegitareen befor yu went darn the antipathies*

*onest ter goodnis tho I kin tell orl of yer the ole asbeens in honkong is orl in the pink and wots more I dont see no chance ov enyfing ov em bein sick—not judgin by the looks ov sum of the ministring angles wot ive seen araind ere.*

*yu will note I corld yu evacuates—the editer sez thats the proper word ter use but I finks there orter be 3 words—evacu-is evacu-ainte and evacu-wonts*

*Well look arter yore littel ole selfs . . . yore bitter halfs will see yer rarnd the krismis tree or my name aint*

erbert iggs

## Thursday

*November 14*

**St. Andrew's Society.** Mr. B. Wylie was elected Chieftain of the St. Andrew's Society for the ensuing year when the annual meeting of the Society was held to-day. The Vice-President is Mr. J. F. MacGregor. It was decided that celebration of St. Andrew's Day by the Scottish community this year be confined to the laying of a wreath at the Cenotaph and that the main observance will be the usual Burns Night Dinner on January 25. There will be no St. Andrew's Ball this year.

**Immigration Office.** An announcement concerning the opening of the new Immigration Office and the probable date when the restrictions will be enforced was broadcast by Z.B.W. to-day. The announcement stated:

"The Immigration Office will be opened at 9 a.m. on November 18 for the purpose of issuing frontier passes, entry permits and certificates of residence.

"It is expected the restrictions on immigration will be put into force on December 17 and any persons not in possession of passports and are leaving with the intention of returning after that date are advised to make early use of this opportunity to provide themselves with the appropriate document to enable them to return without inconvenience. Any documents taken out before December 17 will be so dated as to be valid for the full period of their validity from December 17.

"Forms of application with full details of the requirements of the new scheme may be obtained from the Staff at the Immigration Office Marina House, Queen's Road Central, from November 18. Employers are asked to convey the above information to their servants.

**Home Nursing.** The following candidates satisfied the examiners at the Home Nursing examinations held on October 28 and 31, and will receive their St. John Ambulance certificates in due course:

Daisy Turner, Jessie Knox, Sarah Logan, Margaret Guttinger, Tatiana Olifinsky, Eileen Medley, Carolyn Howell, Winifred Margrett, Mary Donnelly, Mary Stalker, Mona Turnbull, Chan Jeanne, Mary Kailey, Guillamine Van der Laan, Elizabeth Gibbins, Dorothy Brazier, Jean Open, Vera Gavriloff, Dorothy Ascough, Clemtina Cock, Margaret Starling, Lily Chan, Agnes Peters, Marjorie Grindley, Sarah Abdullah, Mary Fielder, Anna Budaglan, Vera Weill, Jean Armstrong, Mabel Sully, Lena Glover, Florence Lammert, Mary Sleap, Elizabeth Pearse, Frances Ogilvie, Alice Tester, Lily Franklin, Dora Simpson, Lily Paul, Mary Bander, Sister St. Gertrude, Lucy Suffiad, Christine Corra, Marjorie Fordham, Jane Fraser, Peggy Sharp, Margaret Hearson, Pamela Turnbull, Leah Hawkett, Ena Alves, Kathleen Rossetet, Madeline Haynes, Sonia Hobbs, Sister St. Cecile, Dora Glanville, Amy Bander, Alice Maitland, Maria Wilhemina Graf, Mary Manuk, Mary Lo, Mariory Stuart, Leopoldine Corra, Sophie Costides, Winifred Deane, Mutal Fielder, Frances Webber, Gudrun Heiberg, Doris Lemmon, Florence Allison and Norah Witchell.

The following members have now completed their 96 hours hospital training in the wards and have gained their Proficiency certificate:

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**Small-pox in Hongkong.** The Medical and Health Authorities have signalled the first case of Small-pox in Hongkong since last spring, when the epidemic of 1939-1940 came to an end.

The victim is a female child of three years of age, whose body was deposited in Conduit Road to-day. It is to be noted that it is the practice to cremate all such dumped bodies.

The Authorities appeal to members of the public to report all suspicious cases of the disease to the nearest Health Officer and to secure for themselves, and especially for their children, the protection afforded by anti-Small-pox vaccination. It is advised that re-vaccination should be performed at intervals of not more than three years.

## POPPY DAY



**Though evacuation meant there were fewer helpers than ever before, those who collected on behalf of Earl Haig's Fund on Poppy Day in Hongkong did their work nobly and contributed in no small degree to the achievement of a record collection. Here we see Mrs. B. S. Carter and Mrs. Langston, two of the ladies who worked all day in disposing of the poppies.**—*Ming Yuen.*

## Friday

*November 15*

**Comedy Thriller At K.C.C.** Produced under the direction of Cecil Houghton, a first-rate comedy-thriller was presented to-night at the Kowloon Cricket Club, when His Excellency the Governor, Lieut-Gen. E. F. Norton was among the audience. The cast comprised Harry Cockle, Vic Labrum, Day Sage, L. R. Birch, W. W. Parsons, G. G. Davies, and Bob Leigh. Those who assisted in the production were Sidney Minshall (stage manager), Frank Conner (lighting), Victor Mamak (make-up), Bob Howard (prompt), Tom Carr (house manager). Cecil Houghton, in addition to producing the play designed the settings, assisted by E. Upton and Shing. During the evening a small orchestra from the Royal Scots played an overture and entracte music. The play was presented again the following two nights.

**Wild Dogs at Large.** A pack of wild dogs which were observed about two years ago in the Tytam area and were later reported to have wandered to Deep Water Bay and then later to Pokfulam valley, are now in the vicinity of Shek-O. Within the past few days they have "savaged" several pet dogs and one of these belonging to Mr. C. Blaker succumbed, while another, owned by Mr. J. P. Whitham was badly injured and only saved from death by the intervention of the house servants. It is believed that the pack numbers seven, but they usually carry out their attacks in a group of three or four. Children are warned not to be allowed to wander in the hills.

The history of the pack is interesting. A full description of the animals was given by the writer of Nature Jottings in the "South China Morning Post" about a couple of years ago, the animals then numbering seven, being led by a fine-looking Alsatian dog. The other members of the pack appeared to be cross-bred animals, mainly black in colour, with one or two brown ones. After attacks had been made on pet dogs in Deep Water Bay region, the Police early last year tried to deal with the pack, but apparently without success. These half-wild dogs were originally observed to be hunting the barking deer at Tytam, and the supply of deer having apparently given out, they moved further afield.

This summer they killed some pigs at the Dairy Farm premises in Pokfulam valley; but for some weeks nothing has been heard of them. It is most unlikely that another pack has suddenly come into existence on the island, so the animals seen at Shek-O are almost certainly the same pack, which has sought new hunting grounds.

**No amahs for Evacuees.** The Colonial Secretary issued the following communique this afternoon:.

It is notified for general information that a communication has been received by the Hongkong Government from Australia to the effect that the question of the admission into Australia of Chinese amahs who wish to enter the services of evacuees from Hongkong, has been given very careful consideration by the Minister of the Interior, but that it has been decided by the Australian Government that servants of Chinese race cannot be admitted to Australia for this purpose.

## Saturday

*Novebzer 17*

**Wedding.** The marriage of Miss Ethel Hope Banker, eldest daughter of the late Mr. George Banker, and Mrs. M. Banker of 5, Peace Avenue, Homuntin, and Mr. William C. Low, only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Low of Edgehill, Liverpool, took place to-day at St. Andrew's Church. The bride was given away by Mr. S. E. Green, her uncle. She wore a creation of angel skin lace, cut on princess lines, with train at the back. She carried a bouquet of white gladioli. Miss Joyce Banker her sister was bridesmaid and she wore a frock of pale pink taffeta, with a bouquet of gladioli to match. The bride's mother attended the ceremony in an elegant gown of French crep-de-chine in deep wine town.

**Postal Censorship.** According to a notification in to-day's "Gazette", individuals are not permitted to send out of the Colony through the post newspapers or newspaper cuttings. However, newspaper publishers may send papers and books in proper covers. It is pointed out that violation of this new regulation permits the authorities to destroy or dispose of in any manner thought fit the particular newspaper, newspaper cutting, or book.

**Record Poppy Day Collections.** It is announced by the Secretary of the British Legion Earl Haig's Fund that the Hongkong Poppy Day collections this year broke all records. The total up to to-day had reached $25,446.61.

**Hongkong St. Leger.** Only two ponies took part in the Hongkong St. Leger at the Happy Valley to-day, O-Lan beating Dupont Bay by a short head after a thrilling race. F. V. Needa rode the winner. Burford, expected to win the event, had to be withdrawn just before the race owing to lameness.

**Impersonation Charge.** A charge of impersonating a police officer at Wyndham Street was read out against Marquis Ablong, 20, of King's Road when he appeared at the Central Magistracy to-day. the case was remanded until the following Tuesday.

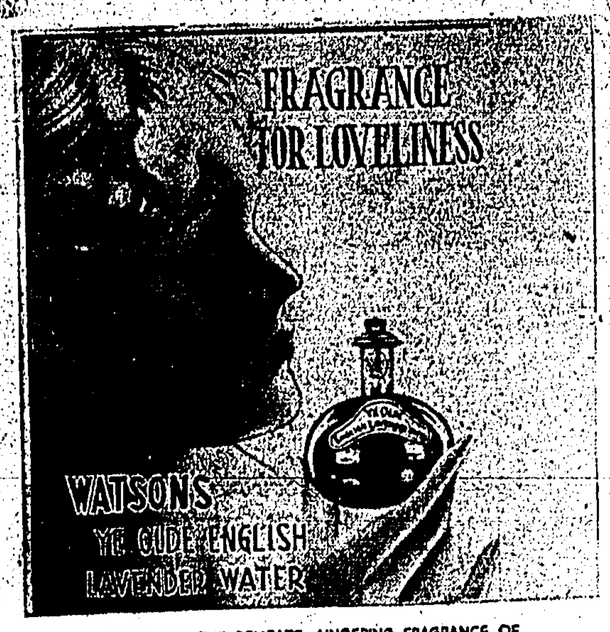
**Evacuation Petition.** A meeting of the Evacuation Registration Committee was held last night at the Peninsula Hotel after which the following communique was issued by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. C. Clemo: "The main points of the petition were approved and the final drafting is now in hand."

**Hospitals for Kowloon.** It is reported that Government is preparing sites in Kowloon for a Government general hospital and an infectious diseases hospital. Construction on the latter is expected to be started first. The new proposed general hospital will accommodate between 500 and 600 beds, while the infectious diseases hospital will have provision for at least 240 beds, with means for expansion to make accommodation for double that number. It is proposed to construct the new general hospital on a site immediately behind the present Kowloon Hospital. The infectious diseases hospital will be built on a lower level at the Kowloon Medical Centre. This is between the present hospital and the Chinese soldiers' internment camp.

## HUSBANDS' PROTEST MEETING



**At least 1,000 husbands gathered in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel on Friday November 8 to make a public protest against the new evacuation decision and to arrange to submit a petition to the Home Government for the evacuees. This photograph gives some idea of the large**




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## NAZI HEALTH & MORALE

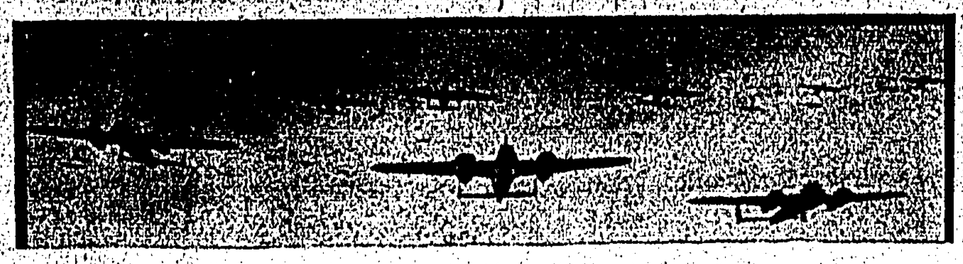
GERMAN morale is notoriously low when things go badly. So said a foreign correspondent lately; and there have been various examples which support this statement. Moreover, when people have been sustained in a long war on undiluted falsehood, all glorifying themselves, the reaction is certain to be violent when the truth is suddenly thrust upon them.

In a recent book, "Heil Hunger," written by Dr. Martin Gumpert, a German now in the United States, it is stated that the Third Reich has achieved the mournful distinction of heading the international tables of suicide statistics. It cannot be an accident that in Germany 4.1 out of every ten thousand take their own lives, while in America the figure is 1.4 per ten thousand. The number of patients in the mental and and nervous sanatoria of Germany has almost doubled since 1923.

The statistics in this book are drawn from official documents which seem somehow to have escaped the notice of the Nazi leaders. Dr. Gumpert seeks, by facts, to destroy the legend of the power-radiating healthfulness of the Third Reich and to expose it as the propaganda lie which it is. He seeks to demonstrate clearly that Fascism produces not health, but sickness, that it is the unhealthiest and most unwholesome political system ever born in the brain of man.

The author's final indictment is a long list of evils that the regime has brought upon Germany—an increased death-rate, a falling birth-rate, a declining fecundity, an increase in rickets, the physical incapacity of the youth, a growing criminality, an increase in drunkenness, a doubling of mental diseases, an increase in venereal diseases, a rise in tuberculosis for man and beast, an increase in epidemics, food poisoning—and many more.

It is a formidable list of evils, but there is no good reason for doubting its accuracy. What is to be expected of a country in which every form of intellectual freedom is rigorously denied!



# All The Bombers Do Not Reach London

IT was just like what you read in the papers. We were having tea on the porch, facing the drowsy lawn, the wide savannah of fields that stretch away to the creek, the estuary and the sea. Not a sound beneath the heat of the afternoon.

Someone said, "You wouldn't think there was a war on," when out of the sky came the drilling drone of aeroplanes. At first we could not locate them, then someone said, "Good Lord, look!"

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Almost overhead, at a height of a few thousand feet, three V-shaped formations of planes were advancing steadily like fish moving against the stream.

"They must be British, flying as low as that. . . ."

"They're bombers . . . going towards London . . . they're German . . .!"

"Can't be—they wouldn't allow them to get so far inland."

We counted them—41 . . . 50.

"What's that? Look!"

Out of the clouds two gnat-like things came tumbling, straightened out and streaked after the tail of the ugly black fish.

"Pop, pop, pop, pop."

"Oh, they're Jerries all right. The Spitfires are after them."

"What? Those two boys attacking that formation?"

Then the air was suddenly alive with dancing gnats. "Pop, pop, pop, pop."

"Come in under the verandah. You'll be hit by one of the bullets."

Then, "just like what you read in the papers" (and, maybe, doubt), the great black armada turned tail, wheeled like scared birds, and now they were thundering back home, directly overhead.

"Heavens! If they drop something for spite!"

But they didn't. And now the lane was alive with people who had come out of their dug-outs. "Hurrah!"

"Hi! Hi! There's one coming down in flames. The black machine came tumbling down, turning and twisting, red flame streaming from its wounded side. It flattened out, disappeared behind the tree-tops of Wendell's farm, and, a moment later, a great column of black smoke curled up to the sky.

## By Neil Macintyre

"The poor boys inside," said a woman, "even if they are Jerries!"

"Hi! there's a parachute!"

High above the retreating armada, the swarm of harrying gnats still on its tail, a thing like a white jelly-fish was drifting downwards.

Somebody had field glasses. Through them you could see the tiny figure of a man, swaying, kicking. He was drifting towards the creek.

A black object came floating down towards us. It fell outside the gate. We rushed to inspect it. It was a piece of fabric, cheap, ersatz rubber, part of the floor covering of the burning plane. We divided it in sections as souvenirs. It was warm and sticky.

"It'll make a mat for the frying pan," said Mrs. Budford.

In the excitement we had lost sight of the parachutist. But Mr. Warden, who works for Mayell's farm, appeared at the top of the lane shouting. "He's coming down at the creek. They machine-gunned me!"

Young Wardell rushed out of the house in shirt and trousers, carrying his rabbit gun. Old Mrs. Wardell appeared with the dinner knives in her hand.

"You run down the lane and tell the Guards," she said to one of the lads.

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Young Wardell and Mr. Warden were already legging across the field towards the creek.

Rather courageous of old Warden, we thought, unarmed.

The Home Guard were running up the lane, hiking their equipment over their shoulders. Young Tom Evans, the builder's man, was first.

"You forgot the carving knife, ma," he called out to Mrs. Wardell as he ran past. They went scouting over the field. We watched them, tiny figures on the river wall.

When they came back they reported that the parachutist had landed in the creek. "He got out on the other side."

We'd hoped he would suddenly emerge from our bushes. We'd have asked him in to tea.

Going home on the train we saw the crashed Messerschmitt in a field beside the line. It was a burst of charred fragments. Soldiers guarding it gave the train the "thumbs-up" sign.

"It's just like what you read in the papers," said the man in the corner. "If I hadn't seen it I wouldn't have believed it."

# Britain's War Medals Mean Something . . .

THERE is one branch of war production in which we do not try to compete with Germany—the manufacture of medals.

When Britain gives a medal it means something; it is something to be treasured for the rest of the recipient's life—and by his descendants.

So it comes about that in the first year of war, only 1,746 awards have been made among the three Services apart from the Empire Gallantry Medal, Order of the British Empire awards and lesser distinctions.

The Nazis, however, hand out their medals with the casual lavishness of the ex-Kaiser.

In the Polish campaign alone, Hitler distributed 40,000 Iron Crosses.

It would take an astronomer to work out how many he has given away since, and no reliable figures are available.

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THE Russians did not do so badly either. In their brief war against Finland they took occasion to give 13,499 awards—seven times as many as the British have given in a whole year of total war spreading across the Seven Seas.

Incuded in the Russian awards were 119 medals for the "Heroes of the Soviet Union," the highest award in the whole of Russia for bravery in the field.

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SO far only nine Victoria Crosses have been won—two by the Navy, three by the Royal Air Force and four by the Army.

To the Navy fell the honour of the war's first V.C., that awarded to Captain Warburton-Lee, who was killed at Narvik.

There have been 99 naval D.S.O.s, with three bars, 327 D.S.C.s and 510 D.S.M.s.

Two of the Army's four V.C.s have been won by officers and two by N.C.O.s. Other awards to the Army include 75 D.S.O.s and 225 D.F.M.s to sergeant-and five bars, 226 M.C.s and pilots and other ranks.

Apart from the R.A.F.'s three V.C.s there have been 21 D.S.O.s, including four bars (one officer winning two bars to a D.S.O. he gained in India), 368 D.F.C.s nine bars, 125 D.C.M.s, and 290 Military Medals.

FUNNY SIDE UP — By Abner Dean




Another cuppa coffee, please! I've got to stay up all night digging a tunnel!

# The Mere Man

**Britain's Far Eastern Policy**

No news during the past week was better received by British people and their friends in this part of the world than the announcement of the creation of a unified Far Eastern Command under Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke Popham. The week, in fact, has been seven days of extraordinarily gratifying events in the international scene, notwithstanding the Molotov-Hitler parley. The continued success of the Greeks, and the British exploit at Taranto were certainly encouraging, but for Far Eastern residents the appointment of Air Marshal Popham was no less significant.

The decision reflects the adoption of a definite policy in this area which many people had long desired to see expressed in a manner that could be understood. Little mistake can be made by reading in the new move a clear sign of Britain's firm determination to call the bluff when the time should come.

The ability to adopt a stiffer attitude in the Far East than hitherto is also an eloquent indication of how the tide of battle has turned in Europe to Britain's favour.

**Gambling In The Colony**

Whilst a hundred per cent. success would be impossible in any campaign to suppress organised gambling in any city, the measure of success so far achieved by our police in dealing with the problem here is not half as great as the citizens might expect from a Force which certainly does not lack men or brains.

The ordinary man, not trained in police methods, cannot pretend to give any advice as to how the problem could be tackled, but he cannot fail to be impressed by the continuance of a vast racket which the everyday police court prosecutions do not seem to disrupt. The breaking-up of coolies' *pai-kau* schools and the like may keep our magistrates busy, but that is not what we want. We should like to see the various lottery schemes stamped out entirely. And we should be happy if the many high-class, fashionable gambling dens, where thousands of dollars change hands nightly and where the operators wax rich from their ill-gotten gains, were given more attention by the police.

It is inconceivable that they cannot be located, though it is admitted that they seem to be shifted from one address to another. Often I have overheard well-dressed people discussing on ferries their winnings or losses at this or that place. There seems to be little difficulty in finding a guide if one only expresses with sufficient conviction a desire to play a hand or two.

Even in the case of small gambling, the police do not seem to have gone thoroughly about investigation. I can personally testify to the uninterrupted existence for many months of several fan-tan schools operated in shop corners and along the footpaths—of more than one thoroughfare.

One such school went on for at least four months in Lyndhurst Terrace, within a stone's throw of the Central Police Station. I have seen police at both ends of the street, perfectly aware of what was going on and yet doing nothing. I have actually witnessed the payment of squeeze by the men who run the "business." When a constable came along, one man who had a piece of paper would glance at the officer's number, hand over a sum of money, and then mark off a line on the sheet.

The whole procedure suggests that regular tributes are exacted for immunity from arrest. Citizens could hardly be blamed, therefore, for thinking the same might also apply in the case of the big gambling dens.

**Roller Skating**

The report that a man had broken his leg last week in an accident at the new roller skating rink at North Point reminded me very vividly of the time when I "flew through the air with the greatest of ease." I was about twelve years old at the time, and roller skating was a favourite recreation after school hours. I got on splendidly for several months, until I was blind to an aerated water bottle cap stuck in the tarred roadway.

To say that I "took a flop" is putting it mildly. The road at the spot was at a slight incline, and I plunged head foremost for fifteen feet or more. Not only did I hit the dust, but I had bandages on the face for three months.

I have not put on skates since, but I have always enjoyed the performance of others. Skating is an exhilarating sport, and a very fine sight for the spectator as well. I have seen scores of Chinese school children in the Causeway performing marvellously well, and the sport is likely to become more and more popular.

—Claudius

# RANGITIKI IS SAFE AFTER ALL: NEW FACTS ON CONVOY'S ESCAPE

**LONDON, NOV. 17 (REUTER).—FURTHER STORIES OF BRITISH HEROISM WHEN A GERMAN RAIDER ATTACKED THE JERVIS BAY CONVOY WERE TOLD WHEN THE 17,000-TON STEAMER RANGITIKI, THE BIGGEST SHIP OF THE CONVOY AND ONE OF THE RAIDER'S MAIN TARGETS, DOCKED AT A WEST COAST PORT TO-DAY WITHOUT A CASUALTY AND WITH HARDLY A SCRATCH.**

The Captain of this ship said that the raider, which may have been the Deutschland, was first sighted some 20 miles away well down on the port bow at about 4 p.m.

She was not identified until 4.45 when she was seen to be a heavy warship.

The convoy continued at a speed of nine knots, which was the most some of the ships could do, but turned away. The enemy also turned, on a course parallel to the convoy, and opened fire on the Jervis Bay which steamed towards her and opened fire, her salvoes apparently falling short.

The enemy's second salvo hit the Jervis Bay amidships and evidently put her engines out of action for she lost way immediately. A third salvo struck her just before the bridge and a fourth hit aft, setting her afire.

The enemy then concentrated her fire on the Rangitiki. The first salvo fell on her starboard quarter, the second straddled her amidships and the third straddled her forward of the bridge. One shell fell within 50 yards of the bridge smothering the bridge with spray and shell fragments but doing no appreciable damage.

***Star Shells Used***

Meanwhile the convoy ships made a smokescreen which, coupled with the gallant action of the Jervis Bay, enabled so many ships to escape despite the enemy's use of star shells in attempts to locate them and the fact that two or three ships were apparently on fire.

The Captain paid tribute to the coolness of the passengers, both men and women, who sang Scottish songs in the alleyways during the firing and later enjoyed a meal while they were wearing life belts.

The chief radio officer said he was playing deck tennis when the raider attacked. He dashed to the wireless cabin and sent out the message which startled the world—that they were being shelled by a raider.

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# HAMBURG BADLY BATTERED

## *Sustained R.A.F. Attack*

**LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The Royal Air Force's battering of Hamburg last night lasted several hours and a concentrated attack was made on all its great and various industries.**

**At intervals throughout the night a powerful force of bombers flew over the city and suburbs. Success varied with changing weather but many pilots found periods when, in the words of one, conditions for bombing were perfect.**

Squadrons attacking the Blohm and Voss shipbuilding yards saw bursts in many parts of the area and explosions followed, accompanied by great billowing red flames.

***Factory Hit***

A direct hit was scored on a neighbouring aircraft factory.

In addition to dropping many high explosive bombs, another force of heavy bombers dropped over 1,000 incendiaries on the great riverside goods yards in the Billwarder district.

Gaps in the clouds closed as the attacks ended, says the Air Ministry, and made it impossible to observe the full results but enough was seen to make it certain that considerable damage was done.

***Raids On Italy***

Cairo, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Royal Air Force bombers again attacked Brindisi on the night of November 15, and the railway station and aerodromes and oil tanks near the city were bombed.

Several fires were started in the target area but the full extent of the damage could not be observed owing to low clouds.

Benghazi was raided successfully and shipping in the harbour was damaged.

The foreshore of Tobruk was bombed but it was not possible to see the extent of the damage.

A fuel depot near Gura, Italian East Africa, was attacked and a direct hit on the largest building in the target area caused much damage.

Zula was raided and buildings were bombed and ignited.

The Djibouti Addis Ababa railway line south of Adagalla was bombed and it is believed that direct hits were scored.

Massawa was raided, the main quay and the destroyer base being the principal objectives.

All but one of our planes returned safely.




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# Arab States Turn Towards Britain

(BY "REUTER'S" MILITARY CORRESPONDENT)

**LONDON, Nov. 17.—As the war develops in the Mediterranean and the Middle East, attention is becoming increasingly focussed on the great central mass of countries usually called the Arab States.**

Nearly all these countries belonged to the old Turkish Empire and they now have not only many different forms of government but also different degrees of independence.

The truly independent states are Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Yemen. Next come Syria, Lebanon and Trans-Jordan which have their own governments but are under the guidance of Mandatory Powers.

Then come Palestine which is directly governed by mandate and the smaller protectorate of Aden.

The attitude of all these states is vastly important at the present time. Iraq, like Egypt, is allied to Britain but she has not declared war though all her relations with Britain's enemies have been broken off. Her army consists of three divisions, which are being trained by a British military mission.

***Saudi Arabia and Yemen***

Saudi Arabia may be regarded as pro-Ally. Saudi Arabia is bound to Iraq by the Treaty of Arab Brotherhood and Alliance.

Yemen also subscribed to this Treaty.

The difficulties over the past few years in Palestine have been great but there are many indications now that the Arabs are giving the famous White Paper a trial. Those who fled the country have now returned and many arms have been surrendered.

British troops must remain there on protective duties at least for the time being.

## Chinese Advance In Hupeh

***Surprise Gains Yaowan***

CHANGTEH, Nov. 17 (Central News).—Chinese troops operating in western Hupeh have scored further successes.

Yaowan was recaptured by a surprise attack. The occupation of Yaowan enables the Chinese to open immediate attacks on the western Hupeh port.

Under cover of an artillery bombardment, a Japanese column launched an attack on Yuanchinyuan from Ichang.

***Chennankwan Fighting***

NANNING, Nov. 17 (Central News).—Continuing their relentless attacks on Chennankwan, the last remaining Japanese stronghold in south Kwangsi, Chinese troops are pushing rapidly toward the strategic pass near the French Indo-China border.

The Japanese are putting up a stiff resistance and sanguinary fighting has been in progress.

The main Chinese assault is now directed against Lanpancha and Yikow, two points in the vicinity of the pass.

## Rescue Of Italians

LONDON, Nov. 17 (British Wireless).—Seeing the crew of an Italian flying boat which had been shot down, tossing in their collapsible and leaky dinghy on the Mediterranean, a Sunderland flying boat on patrol landed near them and took the men on board.

## Nazi Ships Fooled By Neutrals

***Rendezvous With Admiral Scheer***

LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Latest American news agency reports suggest that the German captain of the Phrygia mistook signals which he had intercepted between three warships and a British merchantman, and presuming that the warships were British vessels he scuttled his ship. The other three German ships fled.

It is now believed that the warships were not British ships but neutrals.

The Captain of the Phrygia is reported to have said that he was intercepted well within the safety zone.

Another message states that it is officially said in German circles in Tampico that the ships had a rendezvous 300 or 400 miles out with the pocket battleship Admiral Scheer, which was to have escorted them to Spain.

## Public Execution In Shanghai

Shanghai, Nov. 17.

Japanese authorities publicly beheaded four Chinese thieves in the western district outside the International Settlement yesterday, according to reliable Chinese reports.

The men were executed for stealing cables and wires from the Shanghai Telephone Company and other utility concerns as well as Japanese communication lines.

A Japanese officer, in a speech to a crowd of watchers, said that a similar fate awaits all thieves caught and that the public execution was as an example.—*United Press.*

## North West China Communication

CHUNGKING, Nov. 18 (Central News).—Highway transportation in the north-west is being carried on smoothly, according to Mr. Chang Kia-ngau, Minister of Communications, who returned here yesterday after an extensive tour.

Mr. Chang covered Chengtu, Tienshui, Lanchow, Sining, Liangchow, Sian, Loyang, Paochi, and other places and had a close study of the transportation conditions on the Szechwan-Shensi, Sian-Lanchow and south Shensi highways and also on the Lunghai Railway.

# Army Co-operational Command In R.A.F.

## *Changes and Appointments*

**LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Announcing the establishment of a new Command in the R.A.F., the Air Ministry says that the Air Ministry and War Office have considered how best to secure the most effective basis of co-operation between the Army and the Air Force and a detailed scheme is now being drawn up covering all aspects of Army and air requirements and associated training units.**

The principal feature of the new arrangements is the decision to set up a Command of the R.A.F. to be called the Army Co-operation Command; it will comprise all squadrons allotted to Army formations in the United Kingdom together with associated training units.

The primary function of this Command will be to organise, experiment and train in all forms of co-operation between the two services.

The operational employment of squadrons will rest as hitherto with the Commanders of Army Formations to which they are allotted.

***Under Air Officer***

The Army Co-operation Command will be under an Air Officer Commander-in-Chief, and a senior Army Officer is being appointed as head of his Air Staff. The Air Staffs of the Command and its subordinate formations will consist of Army and R.A.F. officers in roughly equal proportions.

The formation of this Command, says the Air Ministry, is the outcome of a system of co-operation which has been steadily built between the two services over a long period and the new organisation is designed to accord with the lessons of recent operational experience.

The Army Co-operation Command, with its joint staff, will work in constant association with the Army and Air Force Commands concerned. It will ensure rapid development of army co-operation technique and foster a common understanding of all aspects of inter-service co-operation.

The new Command will be established on December 1, 1940.

***Air Marshal Barratt***

Air Marshal Sir Arthur Barratt, who was in command of the R.A.F. in France prior to and during the Battle of France, has been appointed Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of this new Command.

Simultaneously wide changes are announced in the R.A.F. Higher Command.

Air Vice-Marshal W. S. Douglas is appointed Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Fighter Command in place of Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding from a date in the near future. Air Vice-Marshal Douglas is promoted to Air Marshal (Temporary) on his appointment.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding, at the special request of the Minister for Aircraft Production, is being seconded to the latter's department for special duty in the United States.

***Deputy Chief Air Staff***

Air Vice-Marshal A. T. Harris is appointed Deputy Chief of Air Staff in place of Air Vice-Marshal Douglas.

Air Vice-Marshal O. T. Boyd is promoted Air Marshal (Acting) and appointed Deputy to the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Middle East Command.

Air Marshal E. L. Gossage is appointed Air Officer Commanding the Balloon Command in place of Air Vice-Marshal Boyd.

Air Vice-Marshal P. Badington is promoted Air Marshal (Acting) and becomes Air Member of Personnel in place of Air Marshal Gossage.

Air Marshal Sir Arthur Sheridan Barratt first came into the news in the present war when he was appointed Commander-in-Chief of the British Air Force in France. This was a new appointment to ensure the most effective support by the R.A.F. for the B.E.F. and the French armies on the Western Front.

It is noteworthy that all but one of the new men are under 50.

## Yugo-Slav Planes In Action

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BELGRADE, Nov. 17 (UP).—Informed circles said eight Yugo-Slav pursuit planes and anti-aircraft guns went into action when one or two foreign planes dropped bombs on villages in southern Jugo-Slavia.

The planes flew over Bitolj (Monastir) but no bombs were dropped. Eighteen bombs were reported to have been dropped in the vicinity of Kivo and three were dropped on two nearby villages. There were no casualties.

## SNOW IN CHINA

Chungking, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—A heavy snowstorm in north-west China, with a snow drift four feet deep in places, has caused havoc to highway communications between Kansu and Shensi provinces. The North-west Highway Administration is sending squads of workmen to clear the roads.

# Whole of Gabon Part Of Free French Empire

**LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The whole of Gabon, a province adjoining the coast in French Equatorial Africa, is now part of the Free French Empire, states a communique from the London H.Q. of Free France.**

The communique says that the town of the port of Gentil, the second port of Gabon, surrendered without fighting two days after the surrender of Libreville, the capital of the Colony.

A large proportion of the troops who opposed the advance of the Free French forces on Libreville, have now asked permission to join the Free French. The wounded on either side were few.

General de Gaulle visited Libreville on Friday and received the civil and military authorities. He verified that no inhabitants of Libreville were killed or wounded during the "police operations which resulted in Gabon rallying to the Free French Empire."

***Port Gentil Surrenders***

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—General De Gaulle's headquarters issued a communique to-day saying that Port Gentil, the westernmost point in French Equatorial Africa, had surrendered without fighting. General De Gaulle's Free French forces.

It said the port surrendered two days after the fall of Libreville on November 10 and added that the "whole of Gabon is now part of the Free French Empire."


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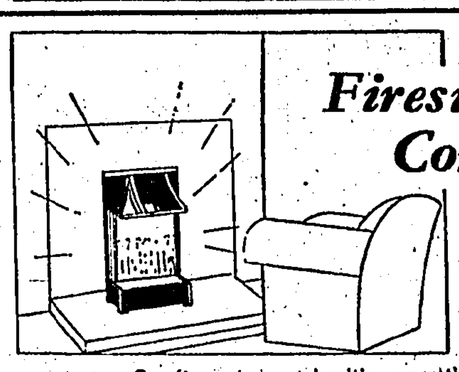
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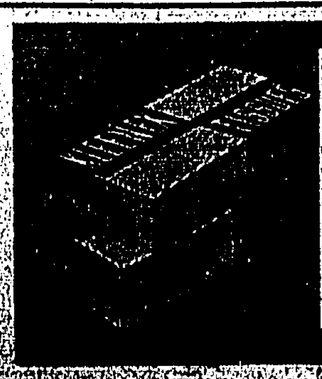
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# MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

## Eastern Beat Kwong Wah In Close Match

## Wong King-chung Plays An Excellent Game

(By "SCRAMBLER")

**THE FORM DISPLAYED by Eastern in their senior football encounter against Kwong Wah yesterday on Caroline Hill did not strike one as that of a league winning team. But for the fact that they were aided by a penalty for a doubtful infringement, they would not have obtained both points by the odd goal in five.**

**Kwong Wah had as much of the play as their opponents, but poor finishing nullified the good work put in by their left winger, Wong King-chung. Eastern indulged in far too much petty passes and individualistic work, with the result that their finishes in front of goal were woefully weak. Their approach work was good, but up to a certain point, they invariably overdid it.**

Kwong Wah delighted spectators with a very quick goal scored by Wong King-chung, who, receiving a pass from Cheuk Shek-kam, cut in to score with a daisy cutter that gave Lau Hin-hon no chance. This lead was short lived, for the Eastern returned to the attack thereafter, and from a pass by Tso Chow-fu, Hau Ching-tau cut in from what appeared to be an offside position to put his team on level terms.

Play was very even at this period, both goals were visited in turn, and had the Kwong Wah forwards accepted the passes presented by Wong King-chung, they would at least have been two goals up. Lee Kwok-kee was tested weakly by Hau Ching-tau and he was soon seen fisting out from a centre by Chung Yung-sum. With play transferred to the other half, Wong King-chung cut across to pass Lau Fook-chuen, who evading the pair of backs, drew Lau Hin-hon out to put the ball into an empty net.

### LISTLESS FOOTBALL

LEADING by the odd goal in three after the interval, play was desultory. Leung Ping-kam centred weakly across from the right. Eastern returned to the attack, and pretty short passing bouts were witnessed that led nowhere. From one of their breakaways, an infringement inside the area was made by the Kwong Wah defenders, and from the resultant spot-kick, Hsu Man-fu put his team on level terms once again.

**Kwong Wah had several chances of increasing their score, but slow approach work and poor positioning robbed them of the desired effects. With their defence spreadeagled, Hau Ching-tau walked the ball past them to give them the lead for the time.**

Despite their determination, Kwong Wah were being constantly watched in midfield, and it was only during this period that the Eastern defence appeared to gain a hold on their opponents.

Several attempts were made at goal, and Yu Hop-hing had bad luck in seeing his shots striking the upright on two occasions. Play thereafter was confined mostly to midfield, and although both sides strove hard to add to their score, they were prevented by two stubborn defences.

### BEST HALF

KWONG Wah's defence played very hard, indeed, but found the short interpassing of Eastern a bit puzzling. L. Woo in the pivotal position was running all over the field and checking the inside trio with some success.

**The best half-back in Kwong Wah's side or for the matter on the field was undoubtedly Kam Kar-piu, who had Chung Yung-sum completely subdued during the greater part of the game. He was forever a thorn in the Eastern's attacks and broke up many a threatening movement by his anticipations and positionings.**

Cheung Shu-fai did not appear to be able to hold the nippy Hau Ching-tau, and both of the goals came from his side. As for the backs, they have still to understand each other's game, for from a misunderstanding the second goal was scored by Hau Ching-tau. These backs cleared very strongly and gave their front men good support.

Lee Kwok-kee did what was expected of him, and should have made an attempt in stopping the second goal.

Of the forwards Wong King-Chung on the extreme left caught the eye with his speedy and tricky runs down the line. Both goals came from him, and with Cheuk Shek-kam, was a great worry to the Eastern's right flank of defence. Had Cheuk Shek-kam got rid of the ball quicker on several occasions, the result might have been different.

The weak spot in their attack was undoubtedly Leung Ping-kam, for during the greater part of the game, he was unable to come up to the standard set up by his forwards. Lau Fook-chuen, too, was inclined to be slow, and Chin Chi-fai was too well watched to be of much support, although he did managed to get rid of the attentions of Hsu King-sing.

### UNIMPRESSIVE EASTERN

EASTERN did not play as a team. The forwards were nice to watch with their delightful approach work, but by their overdoing it, they were very often robbed of the ball at the crucial moments. Chung Yung-sum was practically a passenger during the game, due to the close attention of Kam Kar-piu. Yu Hop-hing's work was, therefore, nullified by his partner's inability to get away with his passes, and Hsu Man-fu was always there when wanted, but lacked the last touches.

**Hau Ching-tau and Tso Chow-fung were a very formidable pair, and like their opponents; danger always come from them. Han's opportunism obtained for him two goals.**

The defence did not really settle down to their work till the closing stages of the game, for during the earlier period, they did not have the same cohesion. Hsu King-sing at the commencement played the third back game, and gradually found time to feed his forwards. Lau Chi-tsang found Wong-chung a source of worry and by his going too far up field he left a big gap for his back to cover.

Lo Wai-kuen worked unobtrusively throughout, more than holding the right flank. The backs were sound without being brilliant, and cleared with understanding. Lau Hin-hon saved on several occasions, and the two goals scored against him were not his fault.

### LISTLESS SOCCER

EASTERN played listless football. There was the lack of dash which is so much associated with their team. The defence too was not at its best, and had they been pitted against another team, or for that matter, had the Kwong Wah's forwards accepted their opportunities, they would undoubtedly have gone down.

Kwong Wah had only themselves to blame for not taking away at least one point. They were presented with innumerable chances, and these were either frittered away, or found the forwards out of position.

EASTERN: Lau Hin-hon, Kong Sing-king, Woo Chi-cheung; Lau Tai-tsang, Hsu King-sing, Lo Wai-kuen; Chung Yung-sum, Yu Hop-hing, Hsu Man-fu, Tso Chow-fung, Hau Ching-tau.

KWONG WAH: Lee Kwok-kee, Chung Fai-lam, Leung Pak-wai; Cheung Shu-fai, L. Woo, Kam Kar-piu; Leung Ping-kam, Lau Fook-chuen, Chin Chi-fai, Cheuk Shek-kam, Wong King-chung.



An incident in the rugger match between the Navy and Police on Saturday. The naval team won ea by 20 points to nil, the Policemen being outclassed.—*Ming Yuen.*

## Convincing Rugger Win By Navy Fifteen

### POLICE WINGERS HAD FEW OPPORTUNITIES

(By "Fly-half")

**NAVY HAD A CONVINCING win over the Police at rugger on Saturday by 20 points (a goal, a penalty goal and four tries) to nil.**

**THE NAVY BACKS handled and passed well. Bucknell and Robinson made a very fine left wing combination, with the former timing his passes to a nicety. Rutherford gave an inspired display and appears to be getting to splendid form. Carter, getting his passes in good time, opened up the game well. Watson hooked the ball back in the majority of the set scrums. Other forwards to impress were Poole and Taylor. Honeywell was neat in his work at full back.**

Once again lack of penetration power was obvious in the Police three line. The insides appear unable to make openings for the wing men. Reynolds was inclined to hang on to the ball too long. Jackson, at standoff half, tried hard and certainly went straight up the field when in possession. Wall was safe in his handling and kicking, but force of numbers generally deprived him of opportunities to prevent tries. It might be a good move to try him at inside three.

Wright-Nooth was very active up forward, being here, there and everywhere after the ball. Dempsey tried hard and was fairly successful in the line-outs.

### *Navy Scoring*

Watson opened the Navy's account with a penalty goal when the Police were two men short. Then following good work by the threes, Paul scored a try which Watson converted. Good following-up by Carter, who received from Bowden following an interception by Paul led to the first mentioned player scoring an unconverted try.

In the second half, Bucknell went through on his own to score another unconverted try. Next Carter kicked ahead and Manfield, who was showing up well amongst the forwards, followed up quickly to beat Wall for the touch-down. Watson failed to add the goal points.

Soon after Robinson rounded Dingsdale and handed off Wall to score yet another unconverted try.

Teams:

Navy.—Honeywill; Robinson, Bucknell, Paul and Bowden; Carter and Rutherford; Palmer, Watson, Manfield; Taylor, Brewer; Wilkinson, Longmuir and Poole.

Police.—Wall; Taylor, Innes, Reynolds and Dingsdale; Jackson and Leslie; Rose, Lewis, Cullinan; Davitt, Jenner; Wright-Nooth, Dempsey and Oakley.

Millar, Cuthbertson, Pinkerton, Gillan and Duke.

Club.—Thompson; Bosanquet, Day, Aitkenhead and Stewart; Charter and Morgan; Heasman, Macrae, Hackett; Gairdner, Needham; Godfrey, Taylor and Kennedy.

## Army Trounce Club Fifteen

Army made no doubt of their superiority over Club when at Boundary Street they won by 20 points (a goal and five tries) to three points (a try).

Army were without Hook and Club without Thomson, but Coombes and Morgan did quite well in their positions. Macdonald, who came into the Army side through Hook's absence, played a wonderful game with a good turn of speed. Richards, as an inside three, was another find. He made grand openings for his partner, Macdonald.

Marsh and Douglass were in more subdued form on the right wing although the latter kicked ahead a lot, and this appeared to have the Club men worried.

The Army pack bunched well in the open and gave their opponents very short time in which to retrieve. Millar, Sutherland and Duke were prominent.

### *Club Threes Poor*

The Club threes had one of their bad days. Their passing was very wild and hardly once did the ball get out to the man on the wing. Charter, at stand-off, did not feed his threes too well. The Club forwards lacked fire. Their covering up in defence still leaves much to be desired.

An early unconverted try by Charter promised well for Club. Army, however, were not long in retaliating when Millar threw himself over under the posts. Douglass converted. Coombes followed this up with an unconverted try.

In the second half, Richards, Ford and Macdonald (2) scored unconverted tries for the Army.

Teams:

Army.—Clague; Marsh, Douglass, Richards and Macdonald; Coombes and Wedderburn; Bompas, Ford, Sutherland;

### How Teams Fared

**FIRST DIVISION**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Middlesex | 1 | Sing Tao | 3 |
| Kowloon | 1 | Police | 0 |
| Eastern | 3 | Kwong Wah | 2 |
| Navy | 1 | St. Joseph's | 1 |

**SECOND DIVISION**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| R. Engineers | 2 | R.A.O.C. | 0 |
| Middlesex | 3 | 30th R.A. | 2 |
| Club | 0 | Sing Tao | 3 |
| Kowloon | 3 | Police | 3 |
| R.A.S.C. | 10 | Kit Chee | 1 |
| Navy | 1 | R. Scots | 3 |
| South China | 6 | Kwong Wah | 0 |

**THIRD DIVISION**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7th R.A. | 0 | 24th R.A. | 3 |
| International | 1 | 20th R.A. | 5 |
| 35th R.A. | 3 | Engineers | 2 |
| R.A.S.C. | 3 | A.S.A. | 1 |
| 12th R.A. | 3 | 30th R.A. | 1 |
| R.A.F. | 5 | Shell | 0 |
| Signals | 5 | R.A.M.C. | 1 |

## CASH SWEEP RESULTS

**RACE 1**

No. 3128 $2,275.00
No. 627 650.00
No. 3634 325.00
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 1058, 2189, 1531, 1744, 4286, 253, 4534, 2279, 3954, 2951, 4308.

**RACE 2**

No. 93 $2,461.20
No. 431 703.20
No. 2772 351.60
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 2302, 716, 5218, 5115, 1033, 3990, 1534, 869, 1394, 5037, 909.

**RACE 3**

No. 2725 $3,128.00
No. 1123 1,042.00
Unplaced pony ($50 each): No. 5327.

**RACE 4**

No. 4174 $2,885.40
No. 4788 618.30
No. 5606 (Dead heat) 618.30
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 5568, 3479, 1201, 5423, 5725, 4505, 67, 5102.

**RACE 5**

No. 802 $3,000.20
No. 3752 857.20
No 3910 428.60
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 3335, 3809, 1949, 4532, 176, 706, 2075.

**RACE 6**

No. 2087 $5,028.00
No. 4064 1,006.00
No. 53 604.00
Unplaced ponies ($100 each): Nos. 2902, 2238, 533, 4540, 1089, 1567, 3289.

**RACE 7**

No. 2747 $3,108.00
No. 5826 888.00
No. 4499 444.00
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 1587, 5090, 0021, 1468, 0100, 4433, 1778, 3110, 5505, 2001.

**RACE 8**

No. 1234 $5,047.20
No. 408 1,009.30
No. 2554 646.80
Unplaced ponies ($100 each): Nos. 3152, 5901, 1027, 924, 0006, 4835, 5093.

## Hockey League Encounters

Several matches in the Hongkong Hockey Association tournament were played yesterday.

Recreio A beat A. N. Other's XI 3-0 at King's Park. Scorers.—H. L. Ozorio, J. Fonseca and F. X. Sequeira.

Police A beat C.B.A. 2-1. Scorers.—Howlett, Jasbir Singh; T. Whitley.

Khalsa beat University 7-0. Scorers.—Awtar Singh (5), Quest, Kirmindar Singh.

5th. A.A. "A" beat 5th. A.A. "B" 2-1. Scorers.—Hazara Singh, Abdul Dinar; McCadden.

Gunboats beat M.T.B.'s 3-1. Scorers.—Gemmel (2), Collard; Hall.

Police B beat Destroyers 3-0. Scorers.—Channan Singh (2), Nawan Singh.

## SPORTS ADVT.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 30th November, 1940 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 21st November, 1940.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

## WEEK-END YACHTING

### *Cruiser Series Race*

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's Second Cruiser series championship event over 22 miles yesterday resulted as follows:

**Division I**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| E 37 Nofena (Mr. P. C. M. Sedgwick) | 15.37.46½ | 15.37.46½ | 1 | 10 |
| Cresund (Mr. K. Neckelman) | 16.02.14 | 15.43.03 | 2 | 8 |
| Yehonala (Mr. G. W. Behrman) | 16.09.55 | 15.43.54 | 3 | 6 |
| La Cicale I (Mr. N. Croucher) | 15.52.45 | 15.52.45 | 4 | 4 |
| Donna (Capt. A. O. G. Mills) | 16.19.10 | 15.58.14 | 5 | 3 |
| Red Rover | D.N.F. | | 6 | 1 |

**Division II**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tyrone (Mr. B. Herschend) | 17.22.33 | 15.36.57 | 1 | 9 |
| Cormorant (Mr. P. H. MacMillan) | 17.13.24 | 15.44.43 | 2 | 7 |
| Isis (Lt. R. N. B. Browne) | 17.35.10 | 15.48.58 | 3 | 5 |
| U and I (Mr. J. B. Colls) | 16.51.29 | 15.55.17 | 4 | 3 |

Evalene was disqualified.

**Four-Tonners**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Typhoon (Mr. G. M. Marrs) | 16.54.42 | 15.28.18 | 1 | 10 |
| Cutty (Mr. E. Foy) | 17.03.35 | 15.34.20 | 2 | 8 |
| Sai Long (Mr. J. S. Dunnett) | 17.00.21 | 15.39.47 | 3 | 6 |
| Tern (Mr. J. L. Anderson) | 16.57.42 | 15.41.07 | 4 | 4 |
| Curlew (Mr. P. Clarke) | 17.13.08 | 15.42.54 | 5 | 3 |
| Monsoon (Major A. P. Trevor) | 17.29.15 | 15.45.40 | 6 | 2 |

**Gurl Wins on Saturday**

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's third Commodore's Cup and Championship race, held on Saturday over a distance of 7.2 miles, resulted in Gurl (S K. Heiberg) coming in first with 10 points. Joss (Major G. E. Neve) was second with 17 points and Gull (Capt. A. O. G. Mills) was third with 15. There were 15 starters and only one boat Kittiwake, failed to complete the course.

The race for the Mixed Class was won by Wendy (H. W. Browne) with Zephyr (Major Rochfort-Boyd) second and Widgeon (P. F. MacCabe) third. There were six starters, and all finished.

## Victory For St. George's

The members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club had their annual match yesterday. St. George's representatives beat St. Andrew's by 10½ points—33½-23½.

In the morning, contrary to expectations, St. George's players gained a considerable lead, 21 points to 9. In the foursomes event, St. Andrew's came up and over flat till the scores were almost level. St. George's, however, made a valiant recovery with the result stated above.

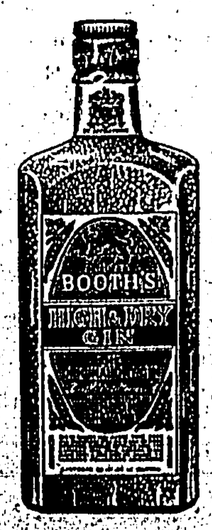
### *Kowloon Golf Club*

The Kowloon Golf Club's 36-hole Medal Play Championship held yesterday resulted in a tie for first place between S. Tomlinson and R. K. Collings, both returning a score of 167. W. Kershaw was third with 172, followed by A. J. Dennis with 173 and T. B. Low with 175.

Results of the first round of the Junior Championship were: G. B. Frost beat L. Sykes; W. C. Hung beat J. Coles; H. J. Grose beat J. R. Humble; K. Miller beat S. J. Remedios; T. Henderson beat E. C. Fincher; and A. G. Butterfield beat W. Groves.


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## *Vivid Description of the Blitzkrieg*

# NAZI AIRMEN CRASHED IN SCORES IN THE FIRST MASS-RAIDS ON LONDON

**WAVE AFTER WAVE OF GERMAN BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS, 1,500 STRONG IN ALL, ATTACKED LONDON AND WERE SMASHED BACK WITH HEAVY LOSSES. IT WAS THE BIGGEST DAY OF AIR FIGHTING EVER KNOWN AND THE GREATEST TRIUMPH YET FOR LONDON'S DEFENCES.**

**Few of the raiders got as far as Outer London, but those that slipped through were cut off by our fighters driven into the maze of London's balloon barrage and dealt with piecemeal.**

**By night the wreckage of Hitler's hopes lay scattered over the open spaces of London's suburbs and the countryside of south-east England.**

London had three warnings during the day, but they did not represent three separate raids. The fighting was continuous from 9 a.m. to dusk.

At dusk the night raiders came over once more, and London had another alarm—the fourth in nine hours.

One of the night raiders was shot down in flames over the London area. British fighters were in action over London. They could be seen flashing in and out of the searchlights.

High explosive and incendiary bombs fell on the outskirts. A fire bomb hit a hospital and another caused a fire at an institution.

Several times the raiders were caught in the London searchlights. Quickly the A.A. guns opened fire and the Nazis sped chased by lights and bursting shells.

Once a 'plane was caught in the lights it did not escape till out of range.

The daylight attackers came in waves of 100, each selecting a different direction for the attack.

Far out at sea they were met by the R.A.F., and soon the whole of south-east England was a vast aerial battlefield.

Compact forces of Spitfires and Hurricanes cut through the Germans, wheeled, and then cut through again.

Most people sensibly took shelter, but thousands stayed in the open to watch the spectacle in the sky.

To many spectators it seemed that the R.A.F. were employing new tactics. They seemed to concentrate first on breaking up enemy formations before diving in to the kill.

Watchers in one south-eastern area saw eight Germans shot down in 40 minutes.

One district of London had a grand-stand view of the fighting.

These people saw a formation of 20 Germans—the most successful attack of the day—tackled by the British fighters.

The Germans were flying at a great height, but a terrific barrage of accurate A.A. fire broke them up and scattered them in every direction.

Then the Spitfires got above them, broke them into three, and forced them several thousand feet down.

The fighters seemed to pause to pick their targets, then drove on. Three bombers came down at once.

Another bomber made for a patch of cloud. A Spitfire went after it. There was a rattle of machine-guns, and the bomber fell out, while the Spitfire followed it down. This bomber appeared to fall to the ground.

### *Forgot Peril*

Another was driven up by R. A. fire until it was lost to view. Fighters followed it and there were a few moments of intense machine-gun fire.

Then the bomber came plunging down, dead straight with first a thin wisp and then a great sheet of smoke behind it. There was a terrific crash as it fell.

One after another the bombers came hurtling out of the sky in flames. Six in all were shot down at this point.

The watching crowds forgot their peril and ran into the streets cheering wildly. Those who were in shelters heard the shouting and peeped out.

Then they, too, joined the cheering throng until the noise of the shouting drowned the roar of engines overhead, the rattle of machine-guns, and the boom that told that another German had crashed and exploded.

Mrs. D. Beckett, who was travelling home from the City to her suburban home said, "Our train was just outside a railway station when a bomber skimmed the top of the train. Flames were bursting from its tail. It dived low and then crashed. People in the train were so thrilled that they cheered."

One bomber fell in flames on a sewage farm. All the crew lost their lives.

Crowds of people saw the dogfight which ended in this crash. They ran out into the streets, and in one shopping centre men and women were shouting, "Bring him down." Cheers followed when after a burst of machine-gun fire, they saw smoke pouring from the raider.

A girl who had run out from a hairdressing saloon with her hair half done to watch the spectacle said: "I wouldn't have missed it to speak to Clark Gable."

Passengers in a suburban electric train heard the roar of a fight develop suddenly overhead.

A sergeant-major home on leave shouted "duck," and with his fellow passengers he dropped to the floor for the rest of the journey, thinking the train was the object of the swooping 'plane.

One of the raiders, apparently separated from the main flight by three British fighters, was being chased over the district. Scores of people hastening from shops towards home and public shelters stopped fascinated on the pavements. Others came out of their houses to watch the fight.

They saw one enemy machine being harassed by three British fighters, that wove wild patterns in white exhaust vapour as they dived and twisted after the enemy. They saw almost the end of the fight, too, some minutes later when some of the fighters withdrew, leaving one to continue in a long swift glide on the tail of the enemy 'plane.

They also saw the pursuing 'plane return triumphantly after seeing his opponent grounded.

Surprisingly little damage was caused by the raiders. In nearly every case they jettisoned their bombs blindly when attacked, only once or twice could they claim to have reached anywhere near a genuine military objective.

The official German account of the day's fighting significantly makes no mention of the attack on London.

Berlin states that the raids were led by a formation of destroyer 'planes, which engaged Spitfires and Hurricanes over the British coast for the purpose of clearing the way for following formations of bomber-fighters.

"A great number of air battles developed from Dover to Eastbourne and lasted on an average from five to ten minutes each.

### *Decoy Ruse*

"Farnborough aerodrome was heavily damaged. Hangars were destroyed, and several 'planes were destroyed on the ground."

This communique conflicts with the more reliable account given by a reporter stationed in a coastal area:

"Squadron after squadron of Messerschmitt fighters, including the crack formation of orange-nosed machines, swept in and out of the sky.

"Their object was plain. They wanted to tempt our fighters up after them, so that waves of bombers could pass high overhead to and from inland targets without opposition.

"The plan did not work. Although I must have seen at least 150 Messerschmitts, I did not see one dog-fight. Our fighters were otherwise—and better—employed. They were after the bombers.

"The Messerschmitt pilots were disconcerted. In the end they did what all true Germans would—obeyed instructions to the letter. Keeping discreetly out of range of our A.A. guns as much as they could, they flew around in spectacular style.

"They gleamed in the sunshine, and enthralled civilian watchers with their unmolested evolutions. But they attempted and achieved nothing.

"But they did not escape without loss. One was certainly brought down inland with a direct hit, and others fled damaged across the Channel.

### *Many Waves*

"The waves of Nazi bombers began crossing the coast here from early morning, mostly in groups of 20. The largest formation I saw returning numbered only 12. Generally, the home-going raiders were in twos and threes."

The Air Ministry and Military of Home Security told the story in these words:

"Large forces of enemy aircraft crossed the south-east coast in the morning in three successive waves at short intervals. Our air defences went into action and the battle which developed resulted in the enemy being scattered and driven back.

A small proportion of them approached the London area and attempted unsuccessfully to attack several aerodromes in the Home Counties. These aircraft, too, were engaged by our fighters and dispersed.

"Bombs were dropped indiscriminately in districts of Kent and Surrey. Slight damage is reported. The number of casualties is small, but includes some killed.

"Large formations of enemy aircraft again crossed the Kentish coast in the afternoon later spreading out over a wide area and attempting to attack a number of R.A.F. aerodromes in the Home Counties.

"Preliminary reports indicate that no serious damage was done to aerodromes, although there was a small number of casualties, including some killed. At one town in the Home Counties industrial premises were damaged and a number of people killed and injured.

"The enemy were heavily engaged at all points by our fighters, which inflicted severe losses."

The Air Ministry News Service adds these details:

German bombers and fighters concentrated attacks, for the second day running, on aerodromes in south-east England. Three times Spitfires and Hurricanes broke up large German formations.

In the first attack, shortly before midday, the German air force sent over 150 bombers and about the same numbers of fighter escorts.

After crossing the Kent coast, the enemy spread out fanwise, formations of 50 aircraft attempting to bomb Kent and Surrey aerodromes.

The second raid took place in the afternoon and was on a smaller scale, but it was followed up an hour later by another mass raid. Once again the enemy used more than 200 aircraft and widened the area of their attack to north of the Thames.

### *Patrolling*

During the morning raid 11 Hurricane pilots inflicted a crushing defeat on formations of Heinkels and Messerschmitt Jaguars.

Patrolling over the Channel, the British pilots first sighted 50 Heinkels flying at 16,000ft. in sections of three. Then the Hurricane pilots saw that flying above the Heinkels were large numbers of Jaguars, and, flying still higher, were Messerschmitts.

The Hurricane pilots decided to attack the Heinkel bombers first. They flew at them head-on, shot down two and, as they reported afterwards, "effectively broke up the formation."

The Hurricanes then attacked the Jaguars, shooting down six and destroying probably two more.

In the same raid, six Spitfire pilots dived out of the sun on about 80 Messerschmitt Jaguar fighter-bombers. They were flying three miles high in four circles of 20.

As the Spitfires dived to attack, 20 Messerschmitt 109 protecting fighters hurtled down in line astern and joined in the battle.

Two of the Jaguars were crippled, and were last seen falling with white smoke pouring from the fuselage.

Ten more Spitfire pilots routed another formation of 50 German bombers protected by about the same number of fighters.

The bombers were flying in waves with the fighters circling above. The R.A.F. squadron leader led a head-on attack at the bomber formation, which completely broke up. Then the Spitfire pilots attacked the bombers singly.

One of the fierce air-battles which preceded an attempt by enemy raiders to reach London was watched with tremendous interest by many thousands of people in south-east coast towns. They heard loud bursts of machine-gun fire, and saw our fighters, 20,000ft. up, diving in and out among the enemy formations.

Three German 'planes are believed to have been brought down when they raided a south-east area for the second time.

Hundreds of people saw one bomber brought down by A.A. fire. It was flying tremendously high when the guns started, and watchers on the ground saw two long trails of smoke, and then the 'plane itself falling vertically at a speed so great it was hard to follow it. There was a terrific crash and a column of black smoke arose.

### *Lost Height*

Another formation of 16 bombers were attacked by A.A. fire, which after the first few rounds was so accurate that the 'planes were lost in shell bursts. It seemed impossible they could survive. The formation broke up, and, falling apart, were attacked by Spitfires. The British fighters hovered to pick their target, and then dived with a shattering burst of machine-gun fire.

The bombers fled all ways. One made for a cloud; as he came out a fighter followed him, so close they seemed to be touching.

The 'planes disappeared, but the bomber was hovering and limping like a lame duck, and finally lost height so much that he disappeared.

A third 'plane was first hit by A.A. fire, and then attacked by Spitfires. He too lost height so rapidly that it was obvious he could not escape.

The raiders were having a bad time. They seemed bewildered, and some fled in the wrong direction, only to be driven out to where the fighters were waiting for them.

Two high-explosive bombs were dropped on a town in Kent during the morning. One fell on a road way, missing 30 houses by a matter of yards. Gas and water mains were damaged, and fires started. No one was injured.

The other bomb made a crater 25 yards wide and five yards deep and scattered stones and lumps of earth into neighbouring gardens.

Within an hour the occupant put up a notice reading, "Threepence to see the crater, in aid of Dr. Barnardo's Homes."

A Spitfire pilot who had been in several engagements over Surrey, came across a formation of three big Dorniers at great height. He was able only to get in one brief burst when he ran out of ammunition.

He zoomed above the Germans then dived on the nearest, crashing deliberately into the German from slightly abeam." The German began to spin away in flames.

The Spitfire pilot leaped from his crumpled machine and landed by parachute with nothing more than scratches and bruises. Three of the Germans also baled out, but two were burned to death.

A corporation crane driver borrowed a rifle from a barge and waded over foreshore mud at a south-east town to arrest a German, one of several who baled out from three crashing 'planes over the town.

The airman put up his hands and was taken over by a military guard, who kept back an angry crowd. The airman said: "I am glad it is finished."

### *Down In Sea*

Over this town 200 Germans came from the south-east. Fierce anti-aircraft fire drove them back, and two bombers came down several miles out to sea.

Three German 'planes were brought down in a dog-fight which took place over a south-east town. Seven prisoners were captured, six by Canadian soldiers, and the seventh by a 17-year-old boy and a man who were rabbit-shooting.

A Heinkel was shot down near a farm. Two explosions were heard, and a ball of fire appeared in the sky, eventually breaking into three pieces, the tail being flung half a mile from the body.

A farmer saw a parachutist descending and went out with a pitchfork. Souvenir hunters were quickly on the scene. Some tried to break off a swastika to display for a Spitfire fund. One small boy, afraid that police would deprive him of his trophy, hid it up his trouser leg.

*Nazi technique attained a new low level . . . . A Hurricane pilot who had baled out was riddled with bullets from three Messerschmitts which swooped on him as he floated down by parachute.*

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday says.

There is little to report due to the short morning session. Banks, Electrics, Trams and Lands remain firm while Roses, Cements and Providents were slightly easier.

**Buyers**

Lands $31
Humphreys $7
Yaumati Ferries $22.50
Macao Electric (new) $16.60
Entertainments $6.65

**Sellers**

Watsons $9.75

**Sales**

Trams $16.50
Electrics (Old) $38
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It is announced by the Secretary of the British Legion Earl Haig's Fund that the Hongkong Poppy Day collection this year broke all records.

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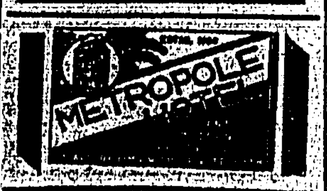
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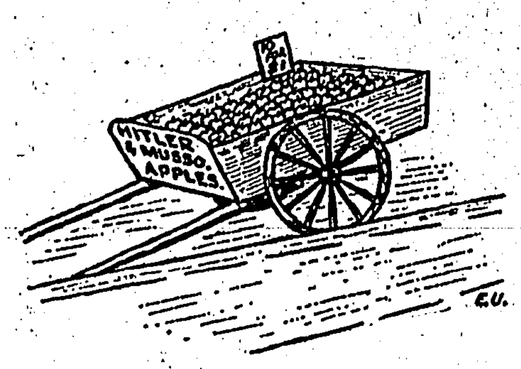



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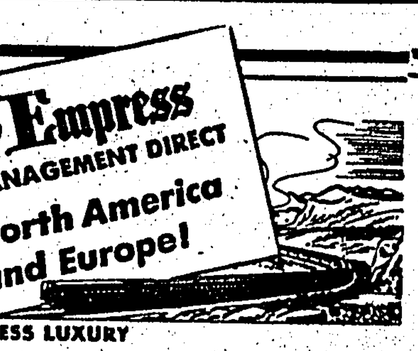
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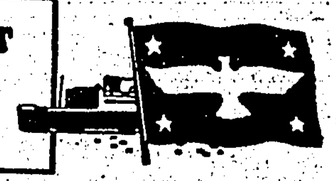
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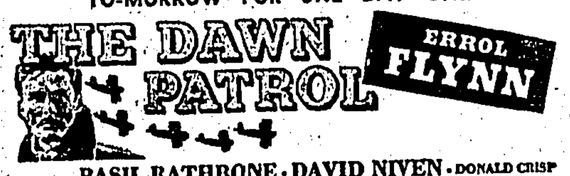

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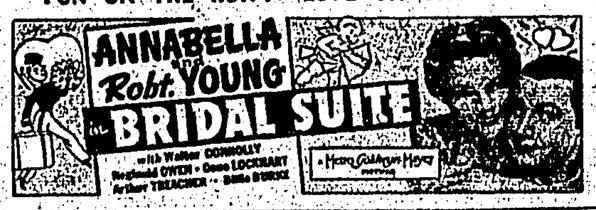



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# China Takes Heart From Recent Events

CHUNGKING, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The appointment of a British Commander-in-Chief for the Far East, the Soviet denial of an agreement with Japan, and Colonel Knox's speech promising greater assistance to China, are hailed by the official "Central Daily News" in a leading article this morning as "guaranteeing a Chinese victory".

These international developments are taken to indicate the determination of Britain, the United States and Russia to resist further aggression on the part of Japan in the Pacific.

The Chinese paper concludes, "A new dawn is breaking for independent and free new China. We must seize this great opportunity to make the greatest effort for final victory."

## FROM ESTONIA TO AUSTRALIA

FROM PAGE ONE

therefore agreeably surprised when we found our four-berth compartments extremely comfortably arranged, complete with table-lamp and night-lights, with more ample space for luggage over the corridor than we had been led to expect.

*Luxurious Meal*

Meal-coupons for the whole ten days were immediately distributed and, scarcely had we set off at 2 p.m. than lunch was served. It was a luxurious meal consisting of caviare, chicken with rice, salad and grapes. Later in the afternoon we discovered acme-comforts in the form of a boiling samovar at the end of each coach, where the conductor made us tea at almost any time for a few kopeks or, if we preferred a stronger variety, we could ourselves make our own particular brew. The conductors were not only attentive, but friendly, and even tender towards the sick; they were also equipped with first-aid apparatus in case of accidents.

We had three substantial meals a day. Dinner consisted of meat, vegetables, kasha (a sort of boiled meal), fruit and usually tea; for breakfast, ham and eggs, cheese, white, black and a sour kind of brown bread, butter, cake and tea. Delicacies were the order of the day, and at first we all ate heartily of chicken, duck, goose, turkey, grapes and caviare,—especially caviare . . . until some began to suffer from train-sickness and others caught cold with going out to walk on station-platforms insufficiently clad. Then meals were missed and fruit was much in demand in exchange for unused coupons.

As time went on, coffee parties became a regular feature of the day,—intimate parties within the precincts of the compartments. But on the whole we lived communally in the corridor, only retiring to our compartments to rest or sleep.

*Embarrassing*

Although there was some attempt to keep the refugees from the three Baltic States separate, no serious attempt seemed to have been made to segregate the sexes,—with curiously embarrassing results. A married couple found themselves in the company of two elderly men in the same compartment and one eligible young bachelor was even placed with three no less eligible young girls. No distinction between classes was observed on the train. Directors and workmen hobnobbed at the same table in the dining-car. All were treated alike, and everyone was given 15 roubles pocket-money to spend. When hot running water was available for washing, we all had to await our turns in the queue; and we all indulged in the luxury of clean bedlinen every third day.

Our journey was of necessity direct, so that we had little opportunity of a close-up of Soviet-Russia, though we travelled from Riga, the extreme westerly point to Vladivostock, the extreme easterly point. Even at Moscow, the train remained a minimum of time; and we were very disappointed not to be able even to have a rapid view of the new capital. But we were told to remain in our coaches while the train was shunted on to a different line.

We had some twenty minutes on the platform while the locomotive and dining-car were changed, when we all tried to steal a brief interview with Sir Stafford Cripps, who stood there without his hat, trying to satisfy the exigencies of everybody in the freezing cold. As we approached Siberia, the nights became colder and the windows froze, although our carriages were warm.

*Pathetic Farewell*

At Novosibirsk, the climax of cold was reached, and we ran out through an icy wind into the warm station,—a magnificent building more like a sky-scraper in the centre of New York than a towering edifice amidst low-built houses set in the centre of the Siberian prairie. Here, one member of our party bid a pathetic farewell to his wife and child. He had the misfortune to possess a British passport, though he spoke no word of English; and, according to the Soviet law of 1935, his wife had to retain her original Russian nationality and therefore had to remain behind, while the husband, being a British subject was compelled to leave even his own wife and child, though he was longing to remain.

The local inhabitants who were visible at stations we passed through seemed generally adequately dressed and fed, but ignorant as to events of the outside world. We were asked, for instance, if the war between Soviet-Russia and Finland were over. Recruits in passing trains took us for circus performers, and we were generally eyed curiously, as if we had been first-class artistes or strolling players. At China, we saw a crowd of people awaiting a local train; the station was full,—a seething mass of humanity, mothers feeding their infants at the breast, naked babies asleep on sacks.

At Irkutsk, we had already passed through a blizzard to milder weather, though our carriage window was still frozen and had to go into the corridor of the next coach to see the unique view over Lake Baikal, a mountain-lined inland sea, where the railway, a magnificent piece of engineering work, winds so tortuously that we, in the sixth coach, were often catching sight of our own locomotive. Here, we went through about fifty tunnels bored through the mountains.

We had been behind time and now were fast gaining and expected to reach Vladivostock when the train was due. But the movement of the train going round the bends resembled very much that of a rolling sea, and some passengers fell sick.

We did not go through Manchuria, but passed through colder climes further north before we reached the region of the Japanese sea and eventually Voroshilov, where we were at last able to promenade the platform without our hats and shawls. Promptly at eight o'clock in the evening of November 6, the lights of Vladivostock appeared in the distance, drew nearer and nearer, until we at last reached the end of our memorable journey across Soviet-Russia to Vladivostock.

## HUGE GUNS ROAR IN CHANNEL DUEL

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the oil refinery plants at Cologne, Bremen and along the Dortmund-Ems canal.

The Air Ministry said the R.A.F. made "effective destructive attacks" on Saturday on the aerodromes at Rouen, Abbeville and Cambrai, all in north France.

*A Nazi Denial*

DERLIN, Nov. 17 (UP).—It is denied here that the R.A.F. carried out daylight raids Saturday on Cologne, Bremen and the Dortmund-Ems canal, the London reports being termed as "sheer invention."

## Mine Sweeper Downs Plane

LONDON, Nov. 17 (British Wireless).—The Admiralty announces that the paddle mine-sweeper Southsea shot down one enemy aircraft which attacked her this morning.

There were no survivors from the aircraft.

H.M.S. Southsea sustained no damage or casualties.


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# Volunteer Bowls Final

*5TH. A. A. BATTERY BEAT A. S. C. "A"*

The 5th A.A. Battery (L/Bdr. W. Melrose, Gr. R. Main, Gr. R. M. Keown, Gr. V. C. Chalmers) beat the A.S.C. Company "A" (Cpl. F. Cullen, Sgt. W. Hyde, Sgt. J. G. Meyer, Pte. E. Kern) 19-15 in the final of the Volunteer bowls competition for the *China Mail* Challenge Cup at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club yesterday.

The A.S.C. Company had a slight advantage after 14 heads when the score was 12-0. A three for the other side made the scores level and a five in the 19th. head helped the Battery to lead 18-14 and finally win 19-15. The last head was played in darkness and the winners added a single to their tally.

**Presentation of Trophy**

Capt. A. W. Brown, welcoming the Commandant, Colonel H. B. Rose, and Sir Atholl MacGregor, said there were 142 players and 38 rinks in the competition and they were able to contribute $190 to the Bomber Fund and there was a sum of $51 still to be sent.

Col. Rose presented the trophy to Gr. Chalmers.

# H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

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|---|---|
| **BANKS** | |
| H.K. Banks $ | 1,265 b. |
| H.K. Banks £ | 66 n. |
| H.K. Banks (HK.) £ | 72 n. |
| Chartered £ | 7¼ n. |
| Mercantile, A. & B. £ | 25⅛ n. |
| Mercantile, C. £ | 10½ n. |
| East Asia $ | 73 b. |
| **INSURANCES** | |
| Canton $ | 185 n. |
| Union $ | 300 b. |
| China Underwriters | 1 n. |
| H.K. Fire $ | 150 n. |
| **SHIPPING** | |
| Douglases $ | 135 n. |
| Steamboats $ | 11 n. |
| Indo-Chinas P. $ | 100 n. |
| Indo-Chinas D. $ | 80 n. |
| Shell (Bearers) s/- | 37/6 n. |
| Waterboats $ | 6.90 n. |
| **DOCKS ETC.** | |
| Wharves $ | 90¼ n. |
| Docks (old) $ | 16½ n. |
| Docks (new) $ | 16 n. |
| Providents $ | 4.60 b. |
| S'hai Dockyards $ | 33¾ n. |
| **MINING** | |
| Kailan s/- | 14/- n. |
| Raubs $ | 9¼ n. |
| H.K. Mines | 1¼ cts. n. |
| **LANDS** | |
| Hotels $ | 3½ n. |
| Lands $ | 31 b. |
| Lands 4% Debentures | 100 n. |
| S'hai ands Sh $ | 11.20 n. |
| Humphreys $ | 7.10 n. |
| H.K. Realties $ | 3.40 n. |
| Chinese Estates $ | 100 b. |
| **UTILITIES** | |
| Trams $ | 16½ sa. |
| Peak Trams (old) $ | 7.40 n. |
| Peak Trams (new) $ | 3.70 n. |
| Star Ferries $ | 87½ n. |
| Y. Ferries $ | 22½ b. |
| China Lights (old) $ | 7 n. |
| China Lights (new) $ | 6.60 n. |
| H.K. Electrics (old) $ | 38 sa. |
| H.K. Electrics (new) $ | 37½ b. |
| Macao Electrics (old) $ | 17¾ sa. |
| Macao Electrics (new) $ | 16¾ sa. |
| Sandakan Lights $ | 12½ n. |
| Telephones (old) $ | 24½ n. |
| Telephones (new) $ | 8¾ n. |
| **INDUSTRIALS** | |
| Cald: Macg. (Ord.), Sh. $ | 14.00 n. |
| Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. $ | 12 n. |
| Canton Ices $ | 1 n. |
| Cements $ | 16½ n. |
| H.K. Ropes $ | 6.70 n. |
| **STORES, &c.** | |
| Dairy Farms $ | 17½ b. |
| Watsons $ | 9¾ n. |
| Lane Crawfords $ | 7.45 n. |
| Sinceres $ | 2.15 n. |
| Wing On (H.K.) $ | 39 n. |
| Powell Ltd. $ | 1 n. |
| **COTTON MILLS** | |
| Ewo Sh $ | 41¾ n. |
| S'hai Cotton Sh. $ | 165 n. |
| **MISC.** | |
| H.K. Govt. 4% | 98 n. |
| H.K. Govt. 3½% (1934) | 94 n. |
| H.K. Govt. 3½% (1940) | 94 n. |
| Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 GSBds. | 35% n. |
| H.K. Entertainments $ | 6.65 b. |
| Constructions (old) $ | 1.60 n. |
| Constructions (new) $ | 1 n. |
| Vibro Piling $ | 8 s. |
| Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) s/- | 7/6 n. |
| Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/- | 2/9 n. |

## H 49 Casualties

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—The Admiralty had announced that officers missing from the submarine H49 are as follows:

Lieutenant-in-Command R. Coltart, Sub-Lieut. A. Carew-Hunt, Probationary Sub-Lieut. L. H. L. Dearden, and Lieut. C. H. Peterkin.

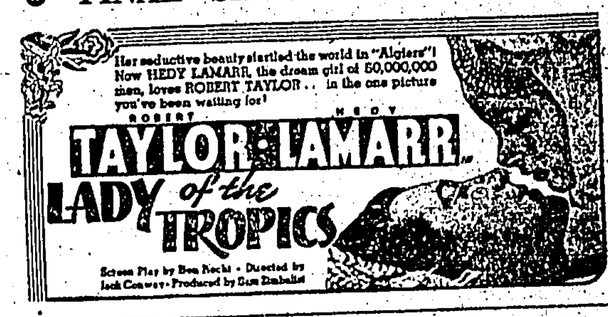
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## Haiphong Harbour Warning

Indicating that Haiphong harbour has now been mined or obstructed, a French notice to mariners issued by the Hongkong Harbour office states that navigation is prohibited within a certain area.

The notice states that in position Latitude 20.42 north, longitude 107 degrees east, navigation is prohibited within the area bounded on the north by Island "B" on the east by Island "E", on the south by the parallel of 20.42.24 degrees north, and on the west by the meridian of 107.00.00 degrees east.

Vessels are warned not to approach within 328 feet of this area.

## Shanghai Plane Fund

Shanghai, Nov. 17.

For the third month in succession £10,000 has been remitted to England by the committee of the Voluntary War Contribution Fund for the purchase of aeroplanes.

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# JAPAN TO MAKE FINAL OFFER TO CHUNGKING

## Direct Peace Negotiations

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

**TOKYO, NOV. 17 (UP).—USUALLY RELIABLE CIRCLES SAY THAT THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE LAST WEDNESDAY DECIDED TO GIVE CHUNGKING A "LAST CHANCE" TO RECONSIDER ITS ATTITUDE TOWARDS JAPAN. HOWEVER, IF THIS FAILED WITHIN A "CERTAIN TIME," THEN JAPAN WOULD FORMALLY RECOGNIZE WANG CHING-WEI'S REGIME, THEREBY COMPLETELY IGNORING CHUNGKING. IT IS SAID THAT THE JAPANESE TERMS TO CHUNGKING WOULD BE LIBERAL.**

These same reliable circles state that Tokyo informed Wang Ching-wei of Japan's intention to seek direct peace negotiations, to which Wang agreed.

Unimpeachable sources said that Mr. Matsuoka, the Foreign Minister, informed Mr. Joseph Grew, the American Ambassador on November 10 that he was personally making an effort to make direct contact with Chiang Kai-shek for a "final" offer.

It is understood that Mr. Matsuoka requested Mr. Grew to ask Washington not to interfere with the efforts at making peace.

### *Far Eastern Survey*

NEW YORK, Nov. 17 (UP).—The defeat of Japan is "the first and indispensable" condition for a lasting peace in the Far East.

This is the opinion expressed by Professor Nathaniel Peffer, the Far Eastern authority of Columbia University.

Writing in the "Far Eastern Survey" published by the Institute of Pacific Relations, Professor Peffer said that a further requisite to Far Eastern stabilisation is "the voluntary abandonment of territorial, political and economic positions maintained by western countries in China."

He said the termination of both Japanese military pressure and Euro-

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## Turkey Is Calm And Confident

### Of Situation In East Mediterranean

*By HUGO SPECK*
UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT

**ISTANBUL, Nov. 17 (UP).—The Turkish Ambassador to Berlin, Mr. Husrev Gerede, arrived here this morning and is expected to go to Ankara tonight to report.**

Herr von Papen, the German Ambassador is expected to return to Ankara early next week but there is still no indication as to the nature of the proposal which German circles had indicated he would bring from Berlin.

Turkey has regarded the Eastern Mediterranean political horizon with foreboding but has nevertheless displayed a resolute calm, firstly, because Molotov's visit to Berlin did not divert Russia from her non-belligerence and secondly, because of Turkey's confidence in her friends and her own strength.

### *Satisfied For The Moment*

ISTANBUL, Nov. 17 (UP).—In his first official statement on the Turkish position since the Molotov conversations in Berlin, the Turkish Ambassador to Germany said: "For the moment I am satisfied there is nothing new in relations between Turkey and Germany which are proceeding in a normal manner."

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## H.K.'s Governor May Return Soon

Intimation that the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote may be returning to the Colony to resume office early next year has been received in Hongkong.

Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, the Governor's Aide-de-Camp told the "Telegraph" to-day that he had recently received a letter from His Excellency in which he said he hoped to return early next year.

No definite information had yet been received on the subject.

## Immigration Office Opens

### *Thronged With Chinese Applicants*

The new Immigration office in Marina House, Queen's Road, was packed with Chinese applicants for the new required entry passes when it opened at 9 a.m. to-day.

Entry passes and residential certificates are being issued locally, which will be accepted for entry into the Colony as the equivalent of passports in the case of those who do not possess passports or travel documents.

It is notified that from and including December 17, 1940, no person of whatever nationality will be allowed to enter Hongkong unless he is in possession of a valid passport, a certificate of residence in Hongkong or an entry pass.

Fees are being charged for the issue of each of these documents which may be obtained at the new Immigration office between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Applicants should allow two days between the date of application and issue of the document. Children under the age of 15 are not required to have passes.

## FRANCO-GERMAN BARGAIN

### Currency Exchange For Trade Fixed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

**VICHY, Nov. 17 (UP).—After M. Laval's return here from Paris it was officially announced that an agreement on compensations had been concluded in Paris. The terms will become effective immediately.**

They provide for the establishment of clearing centres in Paris and Berlin for trade between Germany, France and the French colonies on the basis of 20 francs to the mark.

The agreement also extends to Bohemia, Moravia, Syria and Lebanon and applies to both the occupied and unoccupied zones in France. The new agreement gives the normal Reichsmark a value of 20 francs.

### *Reports To Petain*

M. Laval arrived from Paris by automobile at 11.40 a.m. and immediately went into conference with Marshal Petain, reporting on his conversations in Paris with the German authorities and also with the Spanish Foreign Minister when the latter was in Paris on Friday.

The conversations with Senor Suner concerned general French and Spanish problems, and their mutual interests in North Africa, including Tangier and Morocco.

Throughout the unoccupied zones, millions of pictures of Marshal Petain in uniform have been sold, and are expected to realise at least 25,000,000 francs which will be devoted to the relief of prisoners of war, refugees and unemployed.

## Italian Armed Column Smashed

ATHENS, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—An Italian armed column has been smashed up by Greek troops operating on the eastern sector of the front, according to reports received here.

It is reported but not confirmed, that a large number of tanks which were dispersed, have crossed the frontier into Yugo-Slavia to avoid capture.

## ATTACK ON NAZI SUPPLY SHIP

*Recently the Fleet Air Arm have carried out offensive reconnaissances over the Norwegian coast, where oil tanks, a German military camp, supply ships and transports have been successfully bombed. In this official photograph we see a direct hit on a German supply ship of about 2,500 tons in Haugesund.*



# EARLY MORNING AIR RAIDS

## *East Anglia & London Visited*

*By EDWARD BEATTIE*
"United Press" Correspondent

**LONDON, Nov. 18 (1 a.m.).—Raiders were reported over an East Anglian town for a second time this morning. A hospital and the headquarters of two well-known football clubs in the London area have been bombed so far.**

**There was a lull in the raids after midnight, although just before 12 o'clock a lengthy lull was broken by brief anti-aircraft fire and the drone of planes. It seemed that only one or two raiders were coming over at a time, dropping their bombs after a quick dash across London.**

People were killed in one London district where high explosive bombs landed on an Anderson shelter.

Clouds blotted out London from the few raiders heard last night in the jet black skies, after daylight air battles in southeastern England are claimed to have broken up enemy drives on the capital.

### *Big Explosions Seen*

The early evening alarm was one of the shortest night warnings—scarcely an hour after the sirens had gone the all clear was sounded. But the second alarm followed in short order and sporadic gunfire was heard. Rooftop observers said they saw "some of the biggest explosions yet" on the outskirts of London during the first alarm.

"There were tremendous flashes of white light as vivid as sheet lightning. Then would come a rumble and a tearing crash—it seemed as though bombs of extraordinary heavy calibre were being used," the observers said. Molotov "breadbaskets" were also

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# GREEK ADVANCE CONTINUES ON ALL FRONTS

*By BEN AMES*
"United Press" Staff Correspondent

**ATHENS, Nov. 17 (UP).—The Greeks are advancing again on all fronts, according to reports from the battlefield.**

**The reports state that the Greeks have "destroyed" an Italian motorised division apparently attempting to escape to Yugo-Slavia. It has also been learned that the Yugo-Slav authorities have interned a number of Italian armoured cars which entered the country near Ohrid to avoid capture by the Greeks mopping up the Koritza region.**

The Italian forces are said to have abandoned Koritza, leaving half the town in flames following terrific Greek artillery fire, much of which comes from Italian guns captured by the Greeks.

### *Many Prisoners Taken*

The Greeks have captured 12 more Italian field guns near Koritza and said to have captured more than 700 soldiers, including many officers, many light field guns and mortars and much war material.

Reports from the Yugo-Slav frontier said in an early morning attack on the Italian positions far south on the Kalamas River the Greeks to-day captured 100 prisoners including four officers. The reports said that as a result of Saturday's advances, Greek artillery is now bombarding the roads leading from Koritza over which the Italians are retreating.

Further reports state that in the Pindus mountains the Greeks yesterday reached the Gramos Range and crossed the Albanian frontier during

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## LATEST

## Greeks Smash Way Through

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ATHENS, Nov. 17 (UP).—Military quarters here have reported that a powerful Greek striking force, after smashing the Italian offensive on the Pindus front and retaking Koritza, have continued their drive, and are now swinging northwards through the Smolika passes into Albania, crossing the frontier at Mallsopetra, and storming Liaskovic, seven miles north of the frontier where the highway from Koritza forks towards Janina and Argyrocastro.

To-night the Greeks are said to be pressing north towards Koritza from Liaskovic and cavalry patrols are reported to have reached the outskirts of Erseka, which the Italians evacuated after the town was rendered untenable by artillery fire.

On the Koritza front the Italians still hold the summit of Mount Ivan and are fighting to cover their retreat from the city. Massed Italian bombing and fighting planes are seeking to smash the Greek attack but their efforts are ineffective due to difficult flying conditions.

Bloody hand to hand fighting has forced the Italian Alpini forces to

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## Deny War On Thai Border

### Vichy And Hanoi Statements

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

**HANOI, Nov. 17 (UP).—Authorised quarters here have denied the reports that war has broken out on the Thailand border.**

### *No Knowledge*

VICHY, Nov. 17 (UP.)—The French Foreign Office to-day said they have "absolutely no knowledge" in the reports that war has broken out between Thailand and Indo-China.

The Ministry for the Colonies said "We have received absolutely nothing to indicate that there has been any fighting, or even incidents on the border."

"It is known, however, that Thai has mobilised and moved troops to the frontier of Cambodia, and has also concentrated 100 new fighting planes recently delivered from the United States in the region between Korat and the Mekong River."

## Hitler Peace Terms

London newspapers reported that Hitler sent peace terms to the United States, states the "Associated Press."

A dispatch from London listed these two terms:

One; "The British empire, being undefeated and unconquered, to remain as it is"; and

Two, "Europe, being conquered by Germany, is to be rgarded as outside Britain's sphere of interest."

It was added that Hitler was willing "to sign a 10-year non-aggression pact with both Britain and the United States" and to "agree to disarmament under 'conditions of equality' and the taking of the status quo as the basis.'"

## Little Likelihood Of Return Of Evacuees At Present

**It has been officially indicated that there is little likelihood of it being possible to allow the return of the Hongkong evacuees in the near future.**

**This is revealed in a letter from the Colonial Secretariat acknowledging the petition of the 147 women in Sydney to be permitted to return to Hongkong. The petition was received by the "Hongkong Telegraph" and forwarded to the Government.**

Acknowledging receipt of the petition Mr. C. Bramall Burgess, on behalf of the Colony Secretary writes:

Sir,—With reference to your letter of the 2nd November with which you forwarded a petition from certain ladies who were evacuated from this Colony and are at present in Australia, I am directed by His Excellency the Officer Administering this Government to inform you that the matter dealt with in this petition are at present under consideration and that, while there is little likelihood of it being possible to allow the return of evacuees in the near future, a further reply will be sent as soon as possible after the matter has been fully examined.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

(signed)
C. Bramall Burgess.

# Deportation Of S'hai Foreigners Demanded

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

**SHANGHAI, Nov. 18 (UP).—The Japanese army organs, the "Tairiku Shimpo" and the "Sin Shun Pao," in identical editorials on the recent assassinations of Japanese army officers in Shanghai, to-day said that the Army will resort to "direct measures" unless the authorities in the foreign concessions adopt anti-terrorist measures, including the deportation of foreigners named in the Nanking regime's black list.**

The papers also demand the surrender to the Japanese of over 100 Chinese named in the Nanking black list.

Semi-official Japanese sources allege that Chinese Communists are provoking the terrorism in an effort to upset the pending peace efforts [illegible] "Tairiku Shimpo" expressed [illegible] of the Civilian Self Protection Corps, pointing out that the terrorists at any time may turn against Japanese civilians.

The head of the Japanese Gendarmerie addressed the leaders of the Self Protection Corps last night.

The Corps is formed of Japanese civilians to combat anti-Army terrorists, and Japanese Army officers have been ordered not to appear on the streets except in groups of at least two.

## Colony Padres Send Message To Coventry

**It was revealed yesterday that both Dean J. L. Wilson of St. John's Cathedral and the Rev. J. R. Higgs, vicar of St. Andrew's have close personal interests in Coventry, the lovely English midland city which was so ruthlessly bombed by the German Luftwaffe last week.**

Both Dean Wilson and the Rev. Mr. Higgs were associated with the Coventry Cathedral for many years, while the Rev. H. B. Bain, assistant chaplain at St. John's Cathedral for several years, became vicar of St. Nicholas, Radford in the city of Coventry, when he returned Home in 1938. Much concern is felt for his safety.

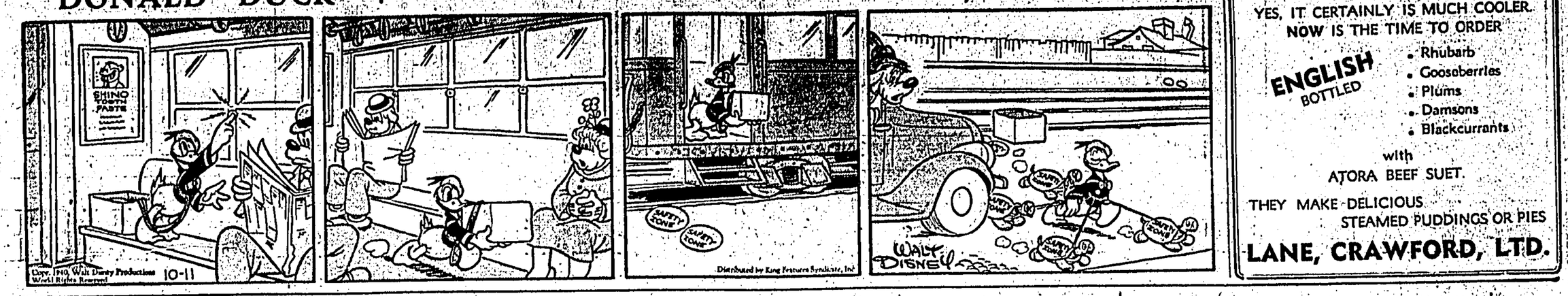
The following telegram, signed by the Dean and Mr. Higgs was sent to Mr. Bains yesterday:—

"Loving greetings. Please accept and assure Bishop, Provost and citizens Coventry great sympathy and fellowship in their suffering. Encouraged by their example we remember all with love and prayer. St. John's Fellowship Wilson Higgs."

Dean Wilson was ordained at Coventry Cathedral in 1924 and was attached to the Cathedral Staff as assistant curate and succentor for three years from 1924 to 1927. Later he took charge of St. Ann's Church which was the daughter church of the Cathedral, and continued there until 1930, when he was succeeded by the Rev. J. R. Higgs. In the same year St. Ann's became a separate parish and Mr. Higgs was [illegible] until 1934.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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The Meeting will be called to order at 7.15 p.m.

Tickets for the dinner, which will follow the close of business will be $5.00 per head.

Dress will be Informal.

Hon. Secretary.

Tokyo, Nov. 17.

Continuing the expansion of Japan's air transport service overseas, the Japan Airways Company is inaugurating next spring a new air service between Taihoku in Formosa and Palao in the Japanese Mandated Islands in the South Seas.—Domei.

# Rumanian Earthquake Havoc and Fatalities

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

BUCHAREST, Nov. 17 (UP).—King Michael's mother, upon her return here to-day from an extended visit to the regions devastated by the recent earthquake, found many telegrams of condolence awaiting her at the Royal Palace.

Among them were messages from King Victor of Italy, King Gustaf of Sweden, King Christian of Denmark and the Presidents of the United States and Chile. President Roosevelt's message expressed his own and the American people's sympathy.

The death roll throughout the country is now known to be 411 but it is estimated that between 90 to 100 people are still crushed under the ruins of the Carlton Hotel. A fire has been raging for more than a week in an apartment house. It is now nearly extinguished but the smell of burned household food and human flesh is keeping the occupants away.

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**1.25 Piano Duet.**
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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

**1.45 Alfred Campoli and His Orchestra.**

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

**6.02 Variety with Gloria Grafton, Turner Layton, and Others.**

**7.0 London Relay—The News.**

**7.15 London Relay—'Questions of the Hour.'**

**7.30 Dance Music by Harry Roy and His Orchestra.**

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 This week's programmes.

**8.07 Harry Davidson at the Organ.**
Chu Chin Chow—Selection (Norton), Lilac Time—Selection.

**8.15 London Relay—Variety: 'Hi Gang!'**

**9.0 London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.**

**9.30 Haydn—Quartet in E Major Op. 54, No. 3.**

**9.48 Songs from Oratorios.**

**10.10 Piano Solos by Anatole Kitain.**

**10.15 Schubert—Symphony No. 7 in C Major.**

The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Adrian Boult.

11.0 Close down.

## General Chang Buried

CHUNGKING, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The remains of General Chang Tse-chung, who was killed in action on the east bank of the Han River during the Ichang battle, were laid to rest yesterday afternoon at Peipai, famous hot springs resort north of Chungking.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek went to Peipai from Chungking to attend the burial.

## Gen. Catroux Was In Chungking

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HANOI, Nov. 17 (Domei).—General Georges Catroux, who joined the anti-German forces under General Charles de Gaulle in London after resigning the post of Governor-General of Indo-China, was in Chungking on November 16 to confer with Chiang Kai-shek, it was reliably reported here.

## North-West China Communication

CHUNGKING, Nov. 18 (Central News).—Highway transportation in the north-west is being carried on smoothly, according to Mr. Chang Kia-ngau, Minister of Communications, who returned here yesterday after an extensive tour.

Mr. Chang covered Chengtu, Tienshui, Lanchow, Sining, Liangchow, Sian, Loyang, Paochi, and other places and had a close study of the transportation conditions on the Szechwan-Shensi, Sian-Lanchow and south Shensi highways and also on the Lunghai Railway.

# Turmoil In Shanghai: Shot Japanese Dies

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

SHANGHAI, Nov. 17 (UP).—The Japanese army officer who was shot in the Hongkew sector on Saturday has died.

The Japanese-controlled Hongkew sector and the International Settlement were in a turmoil last night and to-day, as the Japanese Naval Landing Party cordoned Hongkew and herded approximately 2 000 Chinese and Japanese into the Quisan Gardens (an open park), and then liberated them singly after they had been interrogated.

The Japanese were included in the round-up because of the reports that the gunman or his accomplices shouted words in Japanese language.

Japanese authorities have denied, although they are not willing to issue a formal denial, the unconfirmed Chinese reports which alleged that a Chinese mob stoned Japanese sentries in Chapoo Road while trying to escape from the Hongkew district. They said the Japanese sentries fired on the mob, killing one Chinese and wounding four.

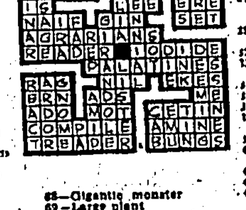
## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

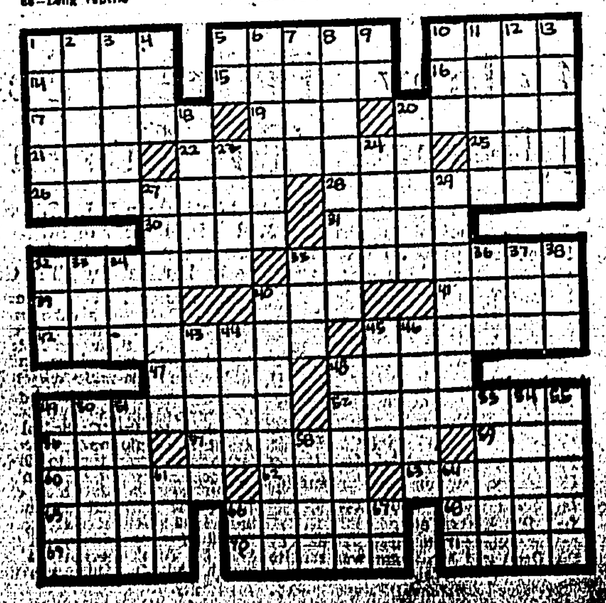
ACROSS

1—Go by
5—Oil of roses
10—Long ago
14—Wide-mouthed pit
15—Small bag for carrying money
16—Retuse executive approval to
17—Besieging of town
19—Immature louse
20—Tropical tree
21—Evening before
22—Latitude of body
25—First woman
26—Planet of solar system
28—Fished by towing hook and line
30—Religious image
31—Comfortable feeling
32—Make tone hard
36—Musical compositions in quick time
39—Set of two articles
40—Secret agent
41—Leading character
42—Chenille-like embroiders thread
43—Restrain uncertainly
47—Become fatigued
48—Sound made by lion
49—Strained to high degree
52—Copper arsenate
56—With maiden name of
57—Ear-wax
59—Members of human race
60—Avoid
62—Man's name
63—Commence
65—Mexican dollar
66—Long reptile

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



10—Girl's name
11—Push back
12—Make hole by collision
13—Pulled
18—Keep clear of
20—Writing without metrical structure
23—Boon
24—Verbal
27—Chemically test solution by standard process
29—Breed of domestic fowls
32—Watering place
33—Device for propelling boat
34—Evergreen tree
35—Imitate slavishly
36—Reputation (coll.)
37—Unmarked metal deposit
38—Grassy surface-soil
40—Making grimace of contempt
43—Before now
44—Gaelic language
45—Pierce, as with horn
46—Precipitates moisture
48—Fabricate over again
49—Clumsy
50—At no time
51—Harass in petty way
53—Visible representation
54—The earth
55—Pass inward through
58—River in East Russia
61—Female deer
64—Summit
65—To such a degree
67—Plural suffix



# Mussolini To Speak: May Mention Greece

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

ROME, Nov. 17 (UP).—Mussolini will give his first speech of the war to-morrow on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the League of Nations application of sanctions against Italy.

The last time Il Duce spoke, he declared war on France and Britain.

It has been confirmed that the speech will be broadcast to the nation but the site of the address has not been disclosed.

It will be recalled that British bombers attacked Munich when Hitler gave an address recently. It is generally believed that Il Duce will speak from the balcony of the Venice Palace because he is receiving Fascist leaders there at 12.30 p.m.

### *Probable Line Of Speech*

According to Senor Roberto Farinacci, former Secretary General of the Fascist Party, the speech will attack British propaganda and especially the British claims, with regard to the raids on Taranto.

Informed quarters have suggested that in view of the recent series of Axis diplomatic conferences, Il Duce may touch diplomatic issues in which the United States are concerned. The Italo-Greek conflict is also mentioned as another probable subject.

To-day's Italian war communique spoke of intense fighting on the Greek front but mentioned no movements on either side. The communique also detailed the usual air attacks and counter-attacks by British and Italian Airforces in Africa.

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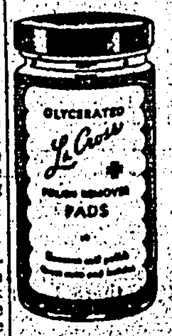
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# Pickpocket Caught At Race Course

An additional charge of breach of a deportation order was brought against Chiu Fuk-yuan, 45, who was charged with stealing a wallet containing $26.30 from Mr. J. N. Pegkson, a ship's officer, at Central Magistracy this morning. The case was heard by Mr. T. J. Gould, who sat in the First Court in the absence of Mr. Sheldon.

Pleading guilty, defendant said that he was forced by circumstances to take the wallet as he had a wife, and family in Shanghai and had nowhere to go.

Inspector T. J. Portallion said that he could not understand the defendant's statement as he had $15.50 on him when he was arrested. The theft was committed at the race course last Saturday as complainant was purchasing a ticket. Defendant was caught with the wallet in his hand.

Defendant was sentenced to two months' hard labour on each charge, the sentences to run concurrently.

## Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

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|---|---|
| T.T. London | 1/27/8 |
| Demand London | 1/27/8 |
| T.T. Shanghai | 390 |
| T.T. Singapore | 52 1/4 |
| T.T. Japan | 103 |
| T.T. India | 82 1/2 |
| T.T. U.S.A. | 23 1/8 |
| T.T. Manila | 46 1/4 |
| T.T. Batavia | 43 1/4 |
| T.T. Bangkok | 140 1/2 |
| T.T. Saigon | 100 1/2 |
| T.T. France | Nom. |
| T.T. Switzerland | 98 1/2 |
| T.T. Australia | 1/6 1/2 |

BUYING

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|---|---|
| 4 m/s L/C London | 1/31/2 |
| 4 m/s D/P London | 1/31/8 |
| 4 m/s L/C U.S.A. | 24 1/8 |
| 4 m/s France | Nom. |
| 30 d/s India | 84 1/2 |
| U.S. Cross rate in London | 4.02 1/2 |
| U.S. Cross rate in N.Y. | 4.04 |

# Servants Quarrel Over Work

Three servants employed at 29 Conduit Road were the central figures in a wounding case before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Accused was Wong Ngou, 34, charged with wounding Ng San-yau, a cook, and his brother, Ng Chin-tin, houseboy, with intent to cause them grievous bodily harm.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and the Jury empanelled comprised Messrs. H. Reid (Foreman), Chan Tsun-hing, A. M. Alves, J. Brownley, M. P. Madar and Young Po-the.

Mr. Murphy said that Wong and the Ng brothers were employed as servants at 29 Conduit Road. About 9 a.m. on September 21, San-yau was in the kitchen hanging up vegetables when Wong asked him to chop some firewood. San-yau replied that he would not do the work as his hands were sore, and a quarrel arose in the course of which Wong told him that if he would not do what he was told he could go and die. He also threatened to have a fight with San-yau, who retorted that as he was so fond of the word "die" he could go and die himself.

### *Came From Behind*

After that, San-yau continued with his work but Wong suddenly came up from behind and struck him several blows on the head, neck and shoulders, with a chopper. San-yau tried to ward off the blows with the result that his hands were cut as well. At that moment, Chin-tin, hearing of the commotion, went into the kitchen with a bamboo pole with which he tried to knock the chopper from Wong's hand. Wong succeeded in getting hold of the pole and he then struck Chin-tin two blows with the chopper. Eventually, both brothers managed to make their escape, although they were severely wounded.

After the brothers had gone, Wong ran away up the hillside. It was not until 4.30 a.m. the next day that Wong was seen to arrive at the house where he was met by a watchman employed there. He told the watchman that he had come back to be arrested.

Assaulting is proceeding.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

It is announced by the Secretary of the British Legion Earl Haig's Fund that the Hongkong Poppy Day collection this year broke all records.

Previously acknowledged $25,281.36; Lane Crawford Ltd. (Collection tins) $23.70; [illegible] $42.45; "Golf Match" V. R. Gordon $5.00; E. M. K. $5.00; Hongkong Signal Company $50.00; Further Street Sales $59.00. Total $25,446.41.

THE WAR FUND

A total of $1,414,030.07 was reached on Saturday by the War Fund (inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post Ltd., with the following donations:

Guard Room, Murray Barracks, Odd Cent Box (Further donation) ... $ 2.50
R.A.F.'s Mess and Canteen Fund, of H.M.S. ... 25.00
P.S.S. "Chicken Feed" (weekly) ... 25.00
Harbour Office "Pickels and Dimes" (Weekly) ... 10.30

EMERGENCY REFUGEE COUNCIL

The C.M. Post has received the following donation to the Emergency Refugee Council:
Sympathisers, $10.

## POST OFFICE

INWARD MAILS

Java ..... Nov. 18.
U.S.A. and Manila—(Seattle date, 15th October) ..... Nov. 20.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, and Shanghai—(Vancouver B.C., date, 2nd November) ..... Nov. 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 25th October) ..... Nov. 21.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service," San Francisco date 12th November. ..... Nov. 22.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below, unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 1 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 1 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 19

Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."
K.P.O.
Reg. ..... Nov. 19, 10 a.m.
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G.P.O.
Reg. ..... Nov. 19, 10 a.m.
Ord. ..... Nov. 19, 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta
Par. ..... Nov. 19, 10.30 a.m.
Let. ..... Nov. 19, 11.30 a.m.

Thursday, Nov. 21

Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and South Africa ..... 7 p.m.
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."
Kowloon P. O.
Reg. ..... Nov. 21, 5.00 p.m.
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Parcels. ... Nov. 21, 4.00 p.m.
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Ord. ... Nov. 21, 7.00 p.m.
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# Hongkong News of the Week

## A Page For The Evacuees



## Sunday

*November 10*

**Remembrance Day.** Remembrance Sunday was celebrated to-day at the St. John's Cathedral and St. Andrew's Church, when special prayers of intercession were said for those who gave up their lives for their country in the last war. The two churches were crowded. The Rev. J. R. Higgs conducted the service at St. Andrew's, while at the Cathedral the Dean, the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson was the preacher. His Excellency the Governor, Lieut.-General E. F. Norton, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., attended by Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, A.D.C., were present at the Cathedral service, and among the congregation were Major-General A. E. Grasett, D.S.O., M.C., the General Officer Commanding, attended by Capt. R. E. T. St. John, A.D.C., Rear-Admiral A. M. Peters, the Commodore and Sir Atholl MacGregor, the Chief Justice. His Excellency the Governor read the second lesson. Collections at both churches were for Earl Haig's Fund.

**Wins Golf Tourney.** F. D. Hunter, with a card of 75 and 73 (148) won the Jasper Clark Cup golf competition at Fanling to-day, and simultaneously won the Royal Hongkong Golf Club title. T. A. Pearce, the Colony champion, was second with an aggregate of 150. L. R. Andrewes had the best return on the Old Course with a 75 and K. S. Robertson and S. Tomlinson tied for the best card on the New Course with 79.

**Volunteers' Lawn Bowls.** Matches in the quarter and semi-finals of the Volunteer Inter-Unit bowls competition for the "China Mail" Cup were decided to-day. Results:

**Quarter-Finals**

At Recreio. A.S.C. Coy. A beat First Battery A. 28-8.

F. Cullen, W. Hyde, J. G. Meyer and E. Kern (A.S.C. A) beat P. Morrison, J. R. Carr, B. I. Bickford and J. Watson (1st. Batty).

At Kowloon Cricket Club, 5th. A.A. Battery beat Field Engineers A 20-14.

W. Melrose, R. Main, R. M. Keown and V. C. Chalmers (5th. A.A.) beat L. Sykes, J. Bottomley, J. L. Stephens and A. Spary (Field Engineers).

**Semi-Finals**

At Kowloon Football Club 5th A.A. Battery beat No. 6 Coy A 17-10.

W. Melrose, R. Main, R. M. Keown and V. C. Chalmers (5th A.A.) beat J. Luz, H. Alves, J. F. Ribeiro and F. Ribeiro (No. 6 Coy).

At Kowloon Cricket Club, A.S.C. Coy. A beat Field Engineers C 21-10.

F. Cullen, W. Hyde, J. G. Meyer and E. Kern beat A. M. Calman, J. G. Ozorio, R. Lapsley and Morrison (Field Engineers).

**School Experiment.** At a meeting of the Board of Education held in the Board Room of the Bank of East Asia, the Board considered proposed amendments to the Draft of Part IV of the new Grant Code dealing with regulations concerning admission, attendance, and curriculum as put forward by the Grant Schools Council. Certain changes were agreed to, and the amended form of Part IV of the Code was unanimously approved by the Board.

Consideration was given to a memorandum of the Vernacular Education Sub-Committee on the question of permitting separate morning and afternoon sessions in Chinese Primary Vernacular Schools.

After discussion it was unanimously agreed that under existing conditions in view of the large number of refugees in the Colony, the experiment of "two-division" schools appears to be justifiable as a temporary measure subject to the following restrictions.

(1) The experiment be confined to Lower and Higher Primary Vernacular Schools.

(2) The length of the scheme should be limited, permission to continue to be requested at the end of each school year.

(3) Each child should have a minimum of 22 hours schooling per week.

(4) No teacher should be employed in the schools for more than 30 hours each week.

(5) Any consequent changes in the curriculum to be subject to the approval of the Director of Education. New time-tables, which must be submitted to show clearly how the number of periods or length of periods has been reduced.

(6) Permission to operate "two-division" schools must not be used as an argument against building aditional or new premises as soon as circumstances permit.

(7) All schools desiring to operate on a "two-division" system must obtain the previous permission of the Director.

Mr. O. A. Goddan, M.A., who has been nominated by the Hongkong Grant School's Council, is to be a member of the Board of Education for a period of two years, with effect from November 1.

## Monday

*November 11*

**New Evacuation Plan.** The following communique regarding evacuation was issued by the Hongkong Government to-day.

In certain eventualities it may become necessary to organise the evacuation of such women and children irrespective of race as wish to leave the Colony and for whom a refuge can be found.

It is evident that the question of finding the requisite ships may be difficult if notice is short, and that, in fact, demand may exceed supply.

It is important therefore to have a carefully prepared plan well in advance of any such emergency.

The policy of the Government is to provide transport accommodation in the following order of priority, for those who wish to go:

(a) Wives and children of members of combatant forces, irrespective of race.

## "Men Of Harlech:" Hongkong Version

### *With Acknowledgments To "Argus"*

Men of Hongkong, lonely, thwarted,
Whether we be drawn and quartered
We demand our dear deported.
Desperation drives.
We don't care for wars or famine
We want no excuse, no gammon,
Bachelor fun with to much jamon's
Ruining our lives.
All our pleas rejected—
Fallacies erected.
We prefer
To be with her
We'd rather have them back and be henneckted.
All together
Let us blether!
Let us not be baulked by why or whether.
Are we men or are we wethers?
Give us back our wives.

(b) Wives and children, irrespective of race, of those who work would be necessarily exposed, such as the Police Force, Fire Brigade, A.R.P. Services, certain medical services, employees of the Royal Naval Dockyard, etc.

(c) All others irrespective of race.

As the numbers involved are impossible to estimate it is essential that some roster of priority be prepared. It has therefore been arranged to provide a card to be filled in by those who wish to avail themselves when the time comes of any such organised after the 18th day of November on application at the headquarters of the various organisations given above and also at the General Post Office for those in the last category.

After a card has been completed by a person whose husband is in one of the organisations in categories (a) or (b) it should be handed in to the headquarters of that oorganisation. If the person is in the last category the card should be passed over the counter at the General Post Office where it will be stamped with the date and time of receipt.

A priority list as regards the last category will be compiled from such written applications in the order in which the cards are received at the General Post Office where a date and time of receipt will be stamped.

After the analysis of the above lists it will be possible to examine the possibility of providing transport and to make further efforts to find refuges for those who have nowhere to go.

It must be made clear that the decision as to when such a scheme is put into force must rest with the Hongkong Government. Once the order to put it into operation has been given anyone who refuses accommodation offered will automatically go to the bottom of the list.

Although the application card offers an invitation to give the choice of the place of destination no undertaking can be given that a person will be transported to such place. It may be mentioned that the Colony of Fiji has already expressed its readiness to accept evacuees of Chinese race to the number of 500.

Whilst Government undertakes to defray the cost of transport to destination of refuge it is probable that evacuees themselves will have to arrange for the cost of their own maintenance thereafter.

**Armistice Day.**—Armistice Day was observed this year without the customary military parade and public commemorations, such as gathering of schoolchildren. As in former years, however, wreaths were laid in remembrance of the fallen at the Cenotaph and Chinese War Memorial and prayers were offered in the Churches.

His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lt.-General E. F. Norton, accompanied by his A.D.C., Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, laid a wreath of Flanders poppies at the Cenotaph at 9.15 a.m., and then proceeded to the Chinese War Memorial at the Botanic Gardens where he laid another wreath.

Among those present at the Gardens to witness the informal ceremony were the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North (Secretary for Chinese Affairs), the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Mr. W. N. T. Tam, Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins (Labour Officer), Mr. T. F. Lo (Chairman of the Po Leung Kuk), Mr. Lee Yu-cheung (Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospitals' Committee), Messrs. Y. K. Chow, Lam Ming-fan, Yeung Ngok-fai, P. C. Kwok, Kan Man (members of the Tung Wah Hospitals' Committee), Messrs. Fok Po-choi and Cheung Man-tung (members of the Po Leung Kuk Committee), and Inspector G. W. Moreton (Officer-in-charge of the District Watch Force).

Wreaths were also laid by the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, and the Hon. Mr. W. N. T. Tam, the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, and on behalf of the Tung Wah Hospitals, Po Leung Kuk and the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade.

**Wreaths Laid at Cenotaph**

At 11 a.m. the President of the Hongkong and China Branch of the British Legion, Mr. A. W. Hughes, and Mr. F. C. Hall, laid a wreath at the Cenotaph. Others in the official party were Messrs. G. G. N. Tinson, H. V. Wilkinson, D. Kossick, F. G. Maunder, Major C. M. Manners, and Mr.C. Trott, representing the Merchant Navy.

A wreath from the Royal Scots was laid by Lt.-Col. D. J. McDougall, accompanied by Lieut. and Quartermaster J. R. Pirie, the procession including Sgt. Fraser, R. S. M. Goodfellow, Sgt. McAlpine, C. S. M. Stanford, C. S. M. Milne and Pte. Jardine.

A wreath from the Free Frenchmen of Hongkong was also laid by Mr. L. Blau, who was accompanied by Messrs. A. Morant, E. Grivaud and E. Strauss.

Other wreaths were laid by M. Louis Reynaud, Consul-General for France; Hongkong Rotary Club, represented by Dr. Arthur Woo, Prof. R. C. Robertson and Lt. Col. E. S. Doughty; President, Committee and members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders; Hongkong Police; President, Members and Committee of St. George's Society; Union Church; Boy Scout's Association; Toc H, Kowloon Circle; the Commodore, Officers and men of H. M. Ships and Naval Establishments; the G. O. C. and All Ranks, British Troops in China; "Albuhern"; Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation; the Hon. Sir. R. Kotewall, the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Tam, and the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo; Taikoo; China Coast Officers' Guild and Marine Engineers Guild of China; George Watson; R. A. F.; Hongkong Girl Guides; Australian and New Zealand Association; St. John Ambulance Brigade; Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, represented by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson; Hongkong Cricket Club Mr. Paul V. MacLean, Canadian Trade Commissioner and Ewo Shore and Floating staff.

**Armistice Day Cricket.** Two all-day matches between the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Hongkong Cricket Club were played to-dny, resulting in both instances in easy wins for the K.C.C. On their own ground the H.K.C.C. seniors were dismissed for 76 (D. J. N. Anderson 3 for 4, N. D. Lloyd 4 for 33), to which the K.C.C. replied with 100 for 6 dec. (N. A. E. Mackay 35, F. R. Zimmern 37). The K.C.C. juniors beat their visitors by 102 runs. The home side scored 213 for 9 dec. (J. Macauley 87, K. M. Baxter 50, L. R. Birch 30). The Cricket Club were out for 111 (Baldwin 4 for 44, Curtis 3 for 28).

**Poppy Day Football.** In the annual Poppy Day football match the Rest of the League beat the Combined Services by three goals to nil. His Excellency the Governor attended the match, which attracted a huge crowd and produced a handsome contribution towards the Poppy Day Fund.

## Tuesday

*November 12*

**Birth.** The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Tod of 209 The Peak will be interested to read the following announcement which appeared in "The Times" on September 19

"SYMONS—On September 13, 1940 at Wingfield Nursing Home, Plymouth, to Margaret (nee Tod) wife of Capt. J. W. D. Symons, R.A., a son.

**Children's Home.** The Fanling Children's Home has welcomed another 123 children with their mothers. There are now 33 in the Home and they have all settled down very happily amidst the attractive rural surroundings of Fanling. The first batch of 84 children from the Po Leung Kuk were transferred to the Matauchung Camp on Monday, and it is understood that a further batch of 100 will be transferred to the camp shortly, thus reducing the congestion at the Po Leung Kuk.

## *Review Of The Principal Topics November 10 To Nov. 16*

## Wednesday

*November 13*

**Death of Young Soldier.** The funeral of Signalman W. A. Taylor, of the Hongkong Signal Company, who died on Tuesday at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road, following a brief illness, took place at the Colonial Cemetery, Happy Valley, to-day. Full military honours were accorded.

Signalman Taylor, who was only 21 years old, had been stationed in Hongkong for three years. He was a member of the Signals water polo team. His home in England was in Kenilworth, Warwickshire.

The service was conducted by the Rev. S. Hinchliffe, Army Chaplain. The deceased's brother, Lance Corporal A. Taylor of the Hongkong Signal Company, was the chief mourner. Those present included Lieut.-Col. E. Levett, the Chief Signal Officer, Major L. Hayes, Officer Commanding the Hongkong Signal Company, and other officers.

**River Reopening Farce.** Under present Japanese requirements it will take passengers nine days to reach Canton from Hongkong instead of the normal seven hours, shipping circles believe.

The requirements put forward by the Japanese for resumption of passenger traffic on November 20 call for four days quarantine on arrival at Macao Fort, Canton, and the formalities to be completed before a passenger can leave Hongkong will take four days. The trip will account for another day.

**Fewer Refugees.** A decrease of 386 persons was shown in the figures supplied by the Medical authorities showing the position in the Hongkong refugee camps on November 9, as compared with November 2. Figures for November 9 were given below with those for November 2 in brackets:

King's Park 1,280 (1,304); Matauchung 1,181 (1,502); North Point 1,396 (1,384); Morrison Hill 536 (530), Tai Hang Squatters Camp 2,557 (2,557); Ngau Tau Kok Squatters Camp 797 (798), Kam Tin 1,836 (1,970). The Fanling Children's Camp which was opened on November 3 is now holding 180 inmates.

Soldiers.—Argyle Street 704 (708); in hospital 18 (15).

The grand total on November 9 was 10,491, as compared with 10,877 on November 2.

**Plenty of Water.** According to the monthly report issued by the Water Authority, the storage in the Island reservoirs at the end of October was 1,973.38 million gallons as against 1,950.81 million gallons at the same date last year. In Kowloon, the contents were 2,869.97 million gallons, compared with 3,212.03 million gallons last October.

During the month the consumption in Hongkong totalled 592.69 million gallons (including 240.46 million gallons from Kowloon and 7.62 million gallons of unfiltered water) by an estimated population of 830,000 at the rate of 23 gallons per head per day, as against 621.03 million gallons by 960,000 people (including villages) at 18.2 gallons per head per day in October, 1939.

The consumption in Kowloon and New Kowloon, excluding Lai Chi Kok Water Boat Dock, totalled 408.53 million gallons by an estimated population of 770,000 at the rate of 17.1 gallons per head per day, compared with 367.51 million gallons by 890,000 persons at 13.3 gallons per head per day last year. The Lai Chi Kok Water Boat Dock consumed 6.14 million gallons as against 5.01 million gallons, while consumption of unfiltered water in villages (independent supplies) totalled 15.01 million gallons, compared with 13.40 million gallons.

Throughout last month, both in Hongkong and Kowloon, there was a constant supply, whereas in October, 1939, only a 17-hour supply was provided. The reports of the Government Bacteriologist and Analyst show that the quality of the water on both sides of the Harbour was excellent.

## Thursday

*November 14*

**St. Andrew's Society.** Mr. B. Wylie was elected Chieftain of the St. Andrew's Society for the ensuing year when the annual meeting of the Society was held to-day. The Vice-President is Mr. J. F. MacGregor. It was decided that celebration of St. Andrew's Day by the Scottish community this year be confined to the laying of a wreath at the Cenotaph and that the main observance will be the usual Burns Night Dinner on January 25. There will be no St. Andrew's Ball this year.

**Immigration Office.** An announcement concerning the opening of the new Immigration Office and the probable date when the restrictions will be enforced was broadcast by Z.B.W. to-day. The announcement stated:

"The Immigration Office will be opened at 9 a.m. on November 18 for the purpose of issuing frontier passes, entry permits and certificates of residence.

"It is expected the restrictions on immigration will be put into force on December 17 and any persons not in possession of passports and are leaving with the intention of returning after that date are advised to make early use of this opportunity to provide themselves with the appropriate document to enable them to return without inconvenience. Any documents taken out before December 17 will be so dated as to be valid for the full period of their validity from December 17.

"Forms of application with full details of the requirements of the new scheme may be obtained from the Staff at the Immigration Office Marina House, Queen's Road Central, from November 18. Employers are asked to convey the above information to their servants.

**Home Nursing.** The following candidates satisfied the examiners at the Home Nursing examinations held on October 28 and 31, and will receive their St. John Ambulance certificates in due course:

Daisy Turner, Jessie Knox, Sarah Logan, Margaret Guttinger, Tatiana Olifinsky, Eileen Medley, Carolyn Howell, Winifred Margrett, Mary Donnelly, Mary Stalker, Mona Turnbull, Chan Jeanne, Mary Kailey, Guillamine Von der Laan, Elizabeth Gibbins, Dorothy Brazier, Jean Oppen, Vera Gavrilloff, Dorothy Ascough, Clemtina Cock, Margaret Starling, Lily Chan, Agnes Peters, Marjorie Grindley, Sarah Abdullah, Mary Fielder, Anna Budagian, Vera Weill, Joan Armstrong, Mabel Sully, Lena Glover, Florence Lammert, Mary Sleap, Elizabeth Pearse, Frances Ogilvie, Alice Tester, Lily Franklin, Dora Simpson, Lily Paul, Mary Bander, Sister St. Gertrude, Lucy Suffiad, Christine Corra, Marjorie Fordham, Jane Fraser, Peggy Sharp, Margaret Hearson, Pamela Turnbull, Leah Hawkett, Ena Alves, Kathleen Rossetet, Madeline Haynes, Sonia Hobbs, Sister St. Cecile, Dora Glanville, Amy Bander, Alice Maitland, Maria Wilhemina Graf, Mary Manuk, Mary Lo, Marjory Stuart, Leopoldine Corra, Sophie Costides, Winifred Deane, Mutal Fielder, Frances Webber, Gudrun Helberg, Doris Lemmon, Florence Allison and Norah Witchell.

The following members have now completed their 96 hours hospital training in the wards and have gained their Proficiency certificate: Lydia Borch, Mollie Blake, Olga Bateman, Ethel Barron, Margaret Bucklev, Bertha Oryun, Mary Campbell, Winnie Cox, Chue Choh-ling, Mary Frederick, Edna Grant, Mary Hancock, Kan Lai-wah, Salvant Kor, Luk Sz-ho, Sophia Low, Jane Lambert, Gertrude Macgregor, Kathleen Martin, Winifred Phillips, Phoon Kwai-fong, Claire Reynaud, Emma Raymond, Dorothy Shilston, Jeannette Shrigley, Vera Silcocks, Louise Silas, Eileen Tinson and Marie Young.

**Small-pox in Hongkong.** The Medical and Health Authorities have signalled the first case of Small-pox in Hongkong since last spring, when the epidemic of 1939-1940 came to an end.

The victim is a female child of three years of age, whose body was deposited in Conduit Road to-day. It is to be noted that it is the practice to cremate all such dumped bodies.

The Authorities appeal to members of the public to report all suspicious cases of the disease to the nearest Health Officer and to secure for themselves, and especially for their children, the protection afforded by anti-Small-pox vaccination. It is advised that revaccination should be performed at intervals of not more than three years.

## POPPY DAY



**Though evacuation meant there were fewer helpers than ever before, those who collected on behalf of Earl Haig's Fund on Poppy Day in Hongkong did their work nobly and contributed in no small degree to the achievement of a record collection. Here we see Mrs. B. S. Carter and Mrs. Langston, two of the ladies who worked all day in disposing of the poppies.**—*Ming Yuen.*

## Friday

*November 15*

**Comedy Thriller At K.C.C.** Produced under the direction of Cecil Houghton, a first-rate comedy-thriller was presented to-night at the Kowloon Cricket Club, when His Excellency the Governor, Lieut-Gen. E. F. Norton was among the audience. The cast comprised Harry Cockle, Vic Labrum, Day Sage, L. R. Birch, W. W. Parsons, G. G. Davies, and Bob Leigh. Those who assisted in the production were Sidney Minshall (stage manager), Frank Conner (lighting), Victor Mamak (make-up), Bob Howard (prompt), Tom Carr (house manager), Cecil Houghton, in addition to producing the play, designed the settings, assisted by E. Upton and Shing. During the evening a small orchestra from the Royal Scots played an overture and entracte music. The play was presented again the following two nights.

**Wild Dogs at Large.** A pack of wild dogs which were observed about two years ago in the Tytam area and were later reported to have wandered to Deep Water Bay and then later to Pokfulam valley, are now in the vicinity of Shek-O. Within the past few days they have "savaged" several pet dogs and one of these belonging to Mr. C. Blaker succumbed, while another, owned by Mr. J. P. Whitham was badly injured and only saved from death by the intervention of the house servants. It is believed that the pack numbers seven, but they usually carry out their attacks in a group of three or four. Children are warned not to be allowed to wander in the hills.

The history of the pack is interesting. A full description of the animals was given by the writer of Nature Jottings in the "South China Morning Post" about a couple of years ago, the animals then numbering seven, being led by a fine-looking Alsatian dog. The other members of the pack appeared to be cross-bred animals, mainly black in colour, with one or two brown ones. After attacks had been made on pet dogs in Deep Water Bay region, the Police early last year tried to deal with the pack, but apparently without success. These half-wild dogs were originally observed to be hunting the barking deer at Tytam and the supply of deer having apparently given out, they moved further afield.

Early summer they killed some pigs at the Dairy Farm premises in Pokfulam valley, but since some weeks nothing has been heard of them. It is most unlikely that another pack has suddenly come into existence on the island, so the animals seen at Shek-O are almost certainly the same pack, which has sought new hunting grounds.

**No amahs for Evacuees.** The Colonial Secretary issued the following communique this afternoon:

It is notified for general information that a communication has been received by the Hongkong Government from Australia to the effect that the question of the admission into Australia of Chinese amahs who wish to enter the services of evacuees from Hongkong, has been given very careful consideration by the Minister of the Interior, but that it has been decided by the Australian Government that servants of Chinese race cannot be admitted to Australia for this purpose.

## Saturday

*November 16*

**Wedding.** The marriage of Miss Ethel Hope Banker, eldest daughter of the late Mr. George Banker, and Mrs. M. Banker of 5, Peace Avenue, and Mr. William C. Low, only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Low of Edgehill, Liverpool, took place to-day at St. Andrew's Church. The bride was given away by Mr. S. E. Green, her uncle. She wore a creation of angel skin lace, cut on princess lines, with train at the back. She carried a bouquet of white gladioli. Miss Joyce Banker her sister was bridesmaid and she wore a frock of pale pink taffeta, with a bouquet of gladioli to match. The bride's mother attended the ceremony in an elegant gown of French crep-de-chine in deep wine town.

**Postal Censorship.** According to a notification in to-day's "Gazette", individuals are not permitted to send out of the Colony through the post newspapers or newspaper cuttings. However, newspaper publishers may send papers and books in proper covers. It is pointed out that violation of this new regulation permits the authorities to destroy or dispose of in any manner thought fit the particular newspaper, newspaper cutting, or book.

**Record Poppy Day Collections.** It is announced by the Secretary of the British Legion Earl Haig's Fund that the Hongkong Poppy Day collections this year broke all records. The total up to to-day had reached $25,446.61.

**Hongkong St. Leger.** Only two ponies took part in the Hongkong St. Leger at the Happy Valley to-day, O-Lan beating Dupont Bay by a short head after a thrilling race. F. V. Needa rode the winner. Burford, expected to win the event, had to be withdrawn just before the race owing to lameness.

**Impersonation Charge.** A charge of impersonating a police officer at Wyndham Street was read out against Marquis Ablong, 20, of King's Road when he appeared at the Central Magistracy to-day; the case was remanded until the following Tuesday.

**Evacuation Petition.** A meeting of the Evacuation Registration Committee was held last night at the Peninsula Hotel after which the following communique was issued by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. C. Clemo: "The main points of the petition were approved and the final drafting is now in hand."

**Hospitals for Kowloon.** It is reported that Government is preparing sites in Kowloon for a Government general hospital and an infectious diseases hospital. Construction on the latter is expected to be started first. The new proposed general hospital will accommodate between 500 and 600 beds, while the infectious diseases hospital will have provision for at least 240 beds, with means for expansion to make accommodation for double that number. It is proposed to construct the new general hospital on a site immediately behind the present Kowloon Hospital. The infectious diseases hospital will be built on a lower level at the Kowloon Medical Centre. This is between the present hospital and the Chinese mitted to Australia for this purpose. soldiers' interment camp.

## 'Erbert 'Iggs Drops A Line To The 'ongkong Evacuates

*deer evacuees*

*the editer arsked me ter drop yu gals a few lines jest ter say evryfings honkytonk in honkykonk and we orl opes yore orl gettin on orlrite darn in the antipathies*

*wun fing I kin tell yer—dont wurry abart the ole men up here becos theyre orlrite, but I dont fink meny ov em is goin in for pirth control and the darry farm bloke wot e's sold more sooldges than enyfing else since yu wos evacuated*

*corlovaduck I orlways thort a grass widder was the wife ov a vegitarean befor yu went darn the antipathies*

*onest ter goodnis tho I kin tell orl of yer the ole asbeens in honkong is orl in the pink and wots more I dont see no chance ov enyone ov em bein sick—not judgeing by the looks we seen of the ministring angles wot ive seen drarnd here.*

*yu will notis I torld yu evacuees the editer sez thats the proper word ter use but I finks there orter be 3 words—evacu-is evacu-aints and evacu-wonts.*

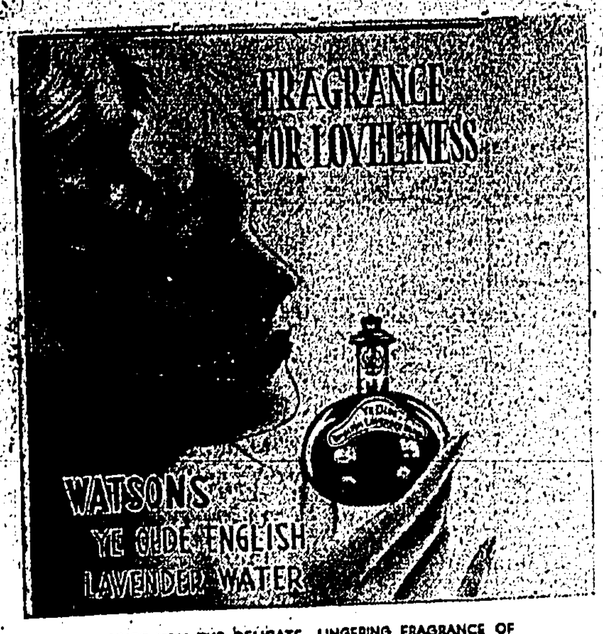
*Well Icole arter yore litel ole wife ov I Love bittem halfs with and yer remd the Iorlmits Ive on my name rite*

*'ERBERT 'IGGS*

## HUSBANDS' PROTEST MEETING



**At least 1,000 husbands gathered in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, November 8 to make a public protest against the new evacuation decision and to agree to a proposal to submit a petition to the Home Government [illegible] the evacuees. This flashlight picture taken [illegible] gives some idea of the large attendance.**




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### NAZI HEALTH & MORALE

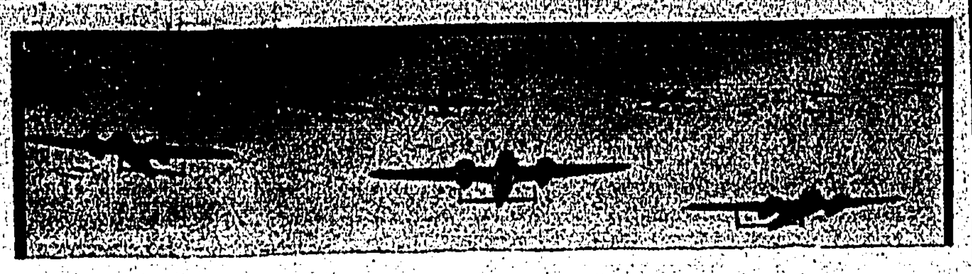
GERMAN morale is notoriously low when things go badly. So said a foreign correspondent lately; and there have been various examples which support this statement. Moreover, when people have been sustained in a long war on undiluted falsehood, all glorifying themselves, the reaction is certain to be violent when the truth is suddenly thrust upon them.

In a recent book, "Heil Hunger," written by Dr. Martin Gumpert, a German now in the United States, it is stated that the Third Reich has achieved the mournful distinction of heading the international tables of suicide statistics. It cannot be an accident that in Germany 4.1 out of every ten thousand take their own lives, while in America the figure is 1.4 per ten thousand The number of patients in the mental and and nervous sanatoria of Germany has almost doubled since 1923.

The statistics in this book are drawn from official documents which seem somehow to have escaped the notice of the Nazi leaders. Dr. Gumpert seeks, by facts, to destroy the legend of the power-radiating healthfulness of the Third Reich and to expose it as the propaganda lie which it is. He seeks to demonstrate clearly that Fascism produces not health, but sickness, that it is the unhealthiest and most unwholesome political system ever born in the brain of man.

The author's final indictment is a long list of evils that the regime has brought upon Germany—an increased death-rate, a falling birth-rate, a declining fecundity, an increase in rickets, the physical incapacity of the youth, a growing criminality, an increase in drunkenness, a doubling of mental diseases, an increase in venereal diseases, a rise in tuberculosis for man and beast, an increase in epidemics, food poisoning—and many more.

It is a formidable list of evils, but there is no good reason for doubting its accuracy. What is to be expected of a country in



# All The Bombers Do Not Reach London

IT was just like what you read in the papers. We were having tea on the porch; facing the drowsy lawn, the wide savannah of fields that stretch away to the creek, the estuary and the sea. Not a sound beneath the heat of the afternoon.

Someone said, "You wouldn't think there was a war on," when out of the sky came the drilling drone of aeroplanes. At first we could not locate them, then someone said, "Good Lord, look!"

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Almost overhead, at a height of a few thousand feet, three V-shaped formations of planes were advancing steadily like fish moving against the stream.

"They must be British, flying as low as that. . . ."

"They're bombers . . . going towards London . . . they're German . . . !"

"Can't be—they wouldn't allow them to get so far inland."

We counted them—41 . . . 50.

"What's that? Look!"

Out of the clouds two gnat-like things came tumbling, straightened out and streaked after the tail of the ugly black fish.

"Pop, pop, pop, pop."

"Oh, they're Jerries all right. The Spitfires are after them."

"What? Those two boys attacking that formation?"

Then the air was suddenly alive with dancing gnats. "Pop, pop, pop, pop."

"Come in under the verandah. You'll be hit by one of the bullets."

Then, "just like what you read in the papers" (and, maybe, doubt), the great black armada turned tail, wheeled like scared birds, and now they were thundering back home, directly overhead.

"Heavens! If they drop something for spite!"

But they didn't. And now the lane was alive with people who had come out of their dug-outs. "Hurrah!"

"Hi! Hi! There's one coming down in flames. The black machine came tumbling down, turning and twisting, red flame streaming from its wounded side. It flattened out, disappeared behind the tree-tops of Wendell's farm, and, a moment later, a great column of black smoke curled up to the sky.

**By Neil Macintyre**

"The poor boys inside," said a woman, "even if they are Jerries!"

"Hi! there's a parachute!"

High above the retreating armada, the swarm of harrying gnats still on its tail, a thing like a white jelly-fish was drifting downwards.

Somebody had field glasses. Through them you could see the tiny figure of a man, swaying, kicking. He was drifting towards the creek.

A black object came floating down towards us. It fell outside the gate. We rushed to inspect it. It was a piece of fabric, cheap, ersatz rubber, part of the floor covering of the burning plane. We divided it in sections as souvenirs. It was warm and sticky.

"It'll make a mat for the frying pan," said Mrs. Budford.

In the excitement we had lost sight of the parachutist. But Mr. Warden, who works for Mayell's farm, appeared at the top of the lane shouting. "He's coming down at the creek. They machine-gunned me!"

Young Wardell rushed out of the house in shirt and trousers, carrying his rabbit gun. Old Mrs. Wardell appeared with the dinner knives in her hand.

"You run down the lane and tell the Guards," she said to one of the lads.

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Young Wardell and Mr. Warden were already legging across the field towards the creek.

Rather courageous of old Warden, we thought, unarmed.

The Home Guard were running up the lane, hiking their equipment over their shoulders. Young Tom Evans, the builder's man, was first.

"You forgot the carving knife, ma," he called out to Mrs. Wardell as he ran past. They went scouting over the field. We watched them, tiny figures on the river wall.

When they came back they reported that the parachutist had landed in the creek. "He got out on the other side."

We'd hoped he would suddenly emerge from our bushes. We'd have asked him in to tea.

Going home on the train we saw the crashed Messerschmitt in a field beside the line. It was a burst of charred fragments. Soldiers guarding it gave the train the "thumbs-up" sign.

"It's just like what you read in the papers," said the man in the corner. "If I hadn't seen it I wouldn't have believed it."

# Britain's War Medals Mean Something . . .

THERE is one branch of war production in which we do not try to compete with Germany—the manufacture of medals.

When Britain gives a medal it means something; it is something to be treasured for the rest of the recipient's life—and by his descendants.

So it comes about that in the first year of war only 1,746 awards have been made among the three Services apart from the Empire Gallantry Medal, Order of the British Empire awards and lesser distinctions.

The Nazis, however, hand out their medals with the casual lavishness of the ex-Kaiser.

In the Polish campaign alone, Hitler distributed 40,000 Iron Crosses.

It would take an astronomer to work out how many he has given away since, and no reliable figures are available.

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THE Russians did not do so badly either. In their brief war against Finland they took occasion to give 18,499 awards—seven times as many as the British have given in a whole year of total war spreading across the Seven Seas.

Incuded in the Russian awards were 119 medals for the "Heroes of the Soviet Union," the highest award in the whole of Russia for bravery in the field.

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SO far only nine Victoria Crosses have been won—two by the Navy, three by the Royal Air Force and four by the Army. [illegible] Lee, who was killed at Narvik.

There have been 99 naval D.S.O.s, with three bars, 327 D.S.C.s and 510 D.S.M.s.

Two of the Army's four V.C.s have been won by officers and two by N.C.O.s Other awards to the Army include 75 D.S.O.s and five bars, 226 M.C.s and nine bars, 125 D.C.M.s, and 290 Military Medals.

Apart from the R.A.F.'s three V.C.s there have been 21 D.S.O.s, including four bars (one officer winning two bars to a D.S.O. he gained in India), 368 D.F.C.s and 225 D.F.M.s to sergeant-pilots and other ranks.

FUNNY SIDE UP — By Abner Dean




# The Mere Man

**Britain's Far Eastern Policy**

No news during the past week was better received by British people and their friends in this part of the world than the announcement of the creation of a unified Far Eastern Command under Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke Popham. The week, in fact, has been seven days of extraordinarily gratifying events in the international scene, notwithstanding the Molotov-Hitler parley. The continued success of the Greeks, and the British exploit at Taranto were certainly encouraging, but for Far Eastern residents the appointment of Air Marshal Popham was no less significant.

The decision reflects the adoption of a definite policy in this area which many people had long desired to see expressed in a manner that could be understood. Little mistake can be made by reading in the new move a clear sign of Britain's firm determination to call the bluff when the time should come.

The ability to adopt a stiffer attitude in the Far East than hitherto is also an eloquent indication of how the tide of battle has turned in Europe to Britain's favour.

**Gambling In The Colony**

Whilst a hundred per cent. success would be impossible in any campaign to suppress organised gambling in any city, the measure of success so far achieved by our police in dealing with the problem here is not half as great as the citizens might expect from a Force which certainly does not lack men or brains.

The ordinary man, not trained in police methods, cannot pretend to give any advice as to how the problem could be tackled, but he cannot fail to be impressed by the continuance of a vast racket which the everyday police court prosecutions do not seem to disrupt. The breaking-up of coolies' *pai-kau* schools and the like may keep our magistrates busy, but that is not what we want. We should like to see the various lottery schemes stamped out entirely. And we should be happy if the many high-class, fashionable gambling dens, where thousands of dollars change hands nightly and where the operators wax rich from their ill-gotten gains, were given more attention by the police.

It is inconceivable that they cannot be located, though it is admitted that they seem to be shifted from one address to another. Often I have overheard well-dressed people discussing on ferries their winnings or losses at this or that place. There seems to be little difficulty in finding a guide if one only expresses with sufficient conviction a desire to play a hand or two.

Even in the case of small gambling, the police do not seem to have gone thoroughly about investigation. I can personally testify to the uninterrupted existence for many months of several fan-tan schools operated in shop corners and along the footpaths—of more than one thoroughfare.

One such school went on for at least four months in Lyndhurst Terrace, within a stone's throw of the Central Police Station. I have seen police at both ends of the street, perfectly aware of what was going on and yet doing nothing. I have actually witnessed the payment of squeeze by the men who run the "business." When a constable came along, one man who had a piece of paper would glance at the officer's number, hand over a sum of money, and then mark off a line on the sheet.

The whole procedure suggests that regular tributes are exacted for immunity from arrest. Citizens could hardly be blamed, therefore, for thinking the same might also apply in the case of the big gambling dens.

**Roller Skating**

The report that a man had broken his leg last week in an accident at the new roller skating rink at North Point reminded me very vividly of the time when I "flew through the air with the greatest of ease." I was about twelve years old at the time and roller skating was a favourite recreation after school hours. I got on splendidly for several months, until I was blind to an aerated water bottle cap stuck in the tarred roadway.

To say that I "took a flop" is putting it mildly. The road at the spot was at a slight incline, and I plunged head foremost for fifteen feet or more. Not only did I hit the dust, but I had bandages on the face for three months.

I have not put on skates since, but I have always enjoyed the performance of others. Skating is an exhilarating sport, and a very fine sight for the spectator as well. I have seen scores of Chinese school children in the Colony performing marvellously well, and the sport is likely to become more and more popular.

—Claudius

# RANGITIKI IS SAFE AFTER ALL: NEW FACTS ON CONVOY'S ESCAPE

**LONDON, NOV. 17 (REUTER).—FURTHER STORIES OF BRITISH HEROISM WHEN A GERMAN RAIDER ATTACKED THE JERVIS BAY CONVOY WERE TOLD WHEN THE 17,000-TON STEAMER RANGITIKI, THE BIGGEST SHIP OF THE CONVOY AND ONE OF THE RAIDER'S MAIN TARGETS, DOCKED AT A WEST COAST PORT TO-DAY WITHOUT A CASUALTY AND WITH HARDLY A SCRATCH.**

The Captain of this ship said that the raider, which may have been the Deutschland, was first sighted some 20 miles away well down on the port bow at about 4 p.m.

She was not identified until 4.45 when she was seen to be a heavy warship.

The convoy continued at a speed of nine knots, which was the most some of the ships could do, but turned away. The enemy also turned, on a course parallel to the convoy, and opened fire on the Jervis Bay which steamed towards her and opened fire, her salvoes apparently falling short.

The enemy's second salvo hit the Jervis Bay amidships and evidently put her engines out of action for she lost way immediately. A third salvo struck her just before the bridge and a fourth hit aft, setting her afire.

The enemy then concentrated her fire on the Rangitiki. The first salvo fell on her starboard quarter, the second straddled her amidships and the third straddled her forward of the bridge. One shell fell within 50 yards of the bridge smothering the bridge with spray and shell fragments but doing no appreciable damage.

***Star Shells Used***

Meanwhile the convoy ships made a smokescreen which, coupled with the gallant action of the Jervis Bay, enabled so many ships to escape despite the enemy's use of star shells in attempts to locate them and the fact that two or three ships were apparently on fire.

The Captain paid tribute to the coolness of the passengers, both men and women, who sang Scottish songs in the alleyways during the firing and later enjoyed a meal while they were wearing life belts.

The chief radio officer said he was playing deck tennis when the raider attacked. He dashed to the wireless cabin and sent out the message which startled the world—that they were being shelled by a raider.

# Nazi Air Losses Yesterday

## Nine Downed In Abortive Raids

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—At least nine German planes were destroyed over England.

This morning several waves crossed the coast of Kent and headed towards London. However, anti-aircraft batteries and fighting planes broke up the formations and sent the Germans scurrying out to sea again, with one or two units missing.

Nine raiders dropped 16 high explosive bombs on an East Anglian town and dive bombed on Aldeburgh. Four of the crew of a stricken raider bailed out with parachutes and were captured.

***64 Lost In A Week***

LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Sixty-four German and 13 Italian planes were shot down over Britain during the week ending midnight on November 16.

In the same period, six British fighters were lost but the pilots of three are safe.

Detailed figures were:

November 10.—German, nil; British, nil.

November 11.— German, 12; Italians, 13; British, 2.

November 12.—German, one; British, nil.

November 13.—German, six; British, nil.

November 14.—German, 21; British, two (both pilots safe).

November 15.—German, 23; British, two (one pilot safe).

November 16.—German, one; British, nil.

***11 Down Yesterday***

London, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Eleven enemy aircraft were shot down in raids on Britain to-day.

Four British fighters were lost but the pilots of three are safe.

# HAMBURG BADLY BATTERED

## *Sustained R.A.F. Attack*

LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The Royal Air Force's battering of Hamburg last night lasted several hours and a concentrated attack was made on all its great and various industries.

At intervals throughout the night a powerful force of bombers flew over the city and suburbs. Success varied with changing weather but many pilots found periods when, in the words of one, conditions for bombing were perfect.

Squadrons attacking the Blohm and Voss shipbuilding yards saw bursts in many parts of the area and explosions followed, accompanied by great billowing red flames.

***Factory Hit***

A direct hit was scored on a neighbouring aircraft factory.

In addition to dropping many high explosive bombs, another force of heavy bombers dropped over 1,000 incendiaries on the great riverside goods yards in the Billwarder district.

Gaps in the clouds closed as the attacks ended, says the Air Ministry, and made it impossible to observe the full results but enough was seen to make it certain that considerable damage was done.

***Raids On Italy***

Cairo, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Royal Air Force bombers again attacked Brindisi on the night of November 15, and the railway station and aerodromes and oil tanks near the city were bombed.

Several fires were started in the target area but the full extent of the damage could not be observed owing to low clouds.

Benghazi was raided successfully and shipping in the harbour was damaged.

The foreshore of Tobruk was bombed but it was not possible to see the extent of the damage.

A fuel depot near Gura, Italian East Africa, was attacked and a direct hit on the largest building in the target area caused much damage.

Zula was raided and buildings were bombed and ignited.

The Djibouti Addis Ababa railway line south of Adagalla was bombed and it is believed that direct hits were scored.

Massawa was raided, the main quay and the destroyer base being the principal objectives.

All but one of our planes returned safely.

# Arab States Turn Towards Britain

(BY "REUTER'S" MILITARY CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Nov. 17.—As the war develops in the Mediterranean and the Middle East, attention is becoming increasingly focussed on the great central mass of countries usually called the Arab States.

Nearly all these countries belonged to the old Turkish Empire and they now have not only many different forms of government but also different degrees of independence.

The truly independent states are Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Yemen. Next come Syria, Lebanon and Trans-Jordan which have their own governments but are under the guidance of mandatory Powers.

Then come Palestine which is directly governed by mandate and the smaller protectorate of Aden.

The attitude of all these states is vastly important at the present time. Iraq, like Egypt, is allied to Britain but she has not declared war though all her relations with Britain's enemies have been broken off. Her army consists of three divisions, which are being trained by a British military mission.

***Saudi Arabia and Yemen***

Saudi Arabia may be regarded as pro-Ally. Saudi Arabia is bound to Iraq by the Treaty of Arab Brotherhood and Alliance.

Yemen also subscribed to this Treaty.

The difficulties over the past few years in Palestine have been great but there are many indications now that the Arabs are giving the famous White Paper a trial. Those who fled the country have now returned and many arms have been surrendered.

British troops must remain there on protective duties at least for the time being.

# Chinese Advance In Hupeh

## *Surprise Gains Yaowan*

CHANGTEH, Nov. 17 (Central News).—Chinese troops operating in western-Hupeh have scored further successes.

Yaowan was recaptured by a surprise attack. The occupation of Yaowan enables the Chinese to open immediate attacks on the western Hupeh port.

Under cover of an artillery bombardment, a Japanese column launched an attack on Yuanchiayuan from Ichang.

***Chennankwan Fighting***

NANNING, Nov. 17 (Central News).—Continuing their relentless attacks on Chennankwan, the last remaining Japanese stronghold in south Kwangsi, Chinese troops are pushing rapidly toward the strategic pass near the French Indo-China border.

The Japanese are putting up a stiff resistance and sanguinary fighting has been in progress.

The main Chinese assault is now directed against Lanpancha and Yikow, two points in the vicinity of the pass.

# Rescue Of Italians

LONDON, Nov. 17 (British Wireless).—Seeing the crew of an Italian flying boat which had been shot down, tossing in their collapsible and leaky dinghy on the Mediterranean, a Sunderland flying boat on patrol landed near them and took the men on board.

# CHOPPER ASSAULT PUNISHED

Tai Keng-ping, 23, was charged before Mr. T. J. Gould at Central Magistracy this morning with assaulting Wo Kun-lam, 20, apprentice of 168, Tung Lo Wan Road, on June 21. Pleading guilty, he claimed that complainant picked up the chopper first and tried to attack him.

Describing the defendant as a very bad character in the district, Sergeant D. A. Pockson said that the complainant visited the defendant's hut near the Tin Hau Temple to see his brother. Defendant was away and complainant sat on defendant's bed. Defendant returned in a temper and abused complainant for sitting on his bed. Words were exchanged and complainant was slashed in the arm with a chopper. He was treated in hospital for 19 days. Defendant ran away after the assault and was arrested on his return a few days ago.

Defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

# Mine Sweeper Downs Plane

LONDON, Nov. 17 (British Wireless).—The Admiralty announces that the paddle mine-sweeper Southsea shot down one enemy aircraft which attacked her this morning.

There were no survivors from the aircraft.

H.M.S. Southsea sustained no damage or casualties.

# Army Co-operational Command In R.A.F.

## *Changes and Appointments*

LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—Announcing the establishment of a new Command in the R.A.F., the Air Ministry says that the Air Ministry and War Office have considered how best to secure the most effective basis of co-operation between the Army and the Air Force and a detailed scheme is now being drawn up covering all aspects of Army and air requirements and associated training units.

The principal feature of the new arrangements is the decision to set up a Command of the R.A.F. to be called the Army Co-operation Command; it will comprise all squadrons allotted to Army formations in the United Kingdom together with associated training units.

The primary function of this Command will be to organise, experiment and train in all forms of co-operation between the two services.

The operational employment of squadrons will rest as hitherto with the Commanders of Army Formations to which they are allotted.

***Under Air Officer***

The Army Co-operation Command will be under an Air Officer Commander-in-Chief, and a senior Army Officer is being appointed as head of his Air Staff. The Air Staffs of the Command and its subordinate formations will consist of Army and R.A.F. officers in roughly equal proportions.

The formation of this Command, says the Air Ministry, is the outcome of a system of co-operation which has been steadily built between the two services over a long period and the new organisation is designed to accord with the lessons of recent operational experience.

The Army Co-operation Command, with its joint staff, will work in constant association with the Army and Air Force Commands concerned. It will ensure rapid development of army co-operation technique and foster a common understanding of all aspects of inter-service co-operation.

The new Command will be established on December 1, 1940.

***Air Marshal Barratt***

Air Marshal Sir Arthur Barratt, who was in command of the R.A.F. in France prior to and during the Battle of France, has been appointed Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of this new Command.

Simultaneously wide changes are announced in the R.A.F. Higher Command.

Air Vice-Marshal W. S. Douglas is appointed Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Fighter Command in place of Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding from a date in the near future. Air Vice-Marshal Douglas is promoted to Air Marshal (Temporary) on his appointment.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding, at the special request of the Minister for Aircraft Production, is being seconded to the latter's department for special duty in the United States.

***Deputy Chief Air Staff***

Air Vice-Marshal A. T. Harris is appointed Deputy Chief of Air Staff in place of Air Vice-Marshal Douglas.

Air Vice-Marshal O. T. Boyd is promoted Air Marshal (Acting) and appointed Deputy to the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Middle East Command.

Air Marshal E. L. Gossage is appointed Air Officer Commanding the Balloon Command in place of Air Vice-Marshal Boyd.

Air Vice-Marshal P. Badington is promoted Air Marshal (Acting) and becomes Air Member of Personnel in place of Air Marshal Gossage.

Air Marshal Sir Arthur Sheridan Barratt first came into the news in the present war when he was appointed Commander-in-Chief of the British Air Force in France. This was a new appointment to ensure the most effective support by the R.A.F. for the B.E.F. and the French armies on the Western Front.

It is noteworthy that all but one of the new men are under 50.

# Yugo-Slav Planes In Action

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BELGRADE, Nov. 17 (UP).—Informed circles said eight Yugo-Slav pursuit planes and anti-aircraft guns went into action when one or two foreign planes dropped bombs on villages in southern Jugo-Slavia.

The planes flew over Bitolj (Monastir) but no bombs were dropped. Eighteen bombs were reported to have been dropped in the vicinity of Kivo and three were dropped on two nearby villages. There were no casualties.

# H 49 Casualties

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—The Admiralty had announced that officers missing from the submarine H49 are as follows:

Lieutenant-in-Command R. Coltart, Sub-Lieut. A. Carew-Hunt, Probationary Sub-Lieut. L. H. L. Dearden, and Lieut. C. H. Peterkin.

# Whole of Gabon Part Of Free French Empire

LONDON, Nov. 17 (Reuter).—The whole of Gabon, a province adjoining the coast in French Equatorial Africa, is now part of the Free French Empire, states a communique from the London H.Q. of Free France.

The communique says that the town of the port of Gentil, the second port of Gabon, surrendered without fighting two days after the surrender of Libreville, the capital of the Colony.

A large proportion of the troops who opposed the advance of the Free French forces on Libreville, have now asked permission to join the Free French. The wounded on either side were few.

General de Gaulle visited Libreville on Friday and received the civil and military authorities.

He verified that no inhabitants of Libreville were killed or wounded during the "police operations which resulted in Gabon rallying to the Free French Empire."

***Port Gentil Surrenders***

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—General De Gaulle's headquarters issued a communique today saying that Port Gentil, the westernmost point in French Equatorial Africa, had surrendered without fighting General De Gaulle's Free French forces.

It said the port surrendered two days after the fall of Libreville on November 10 and added that the whole of Gabon is now part of the Free French Empire.




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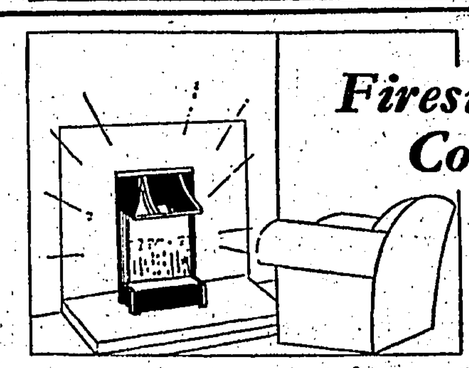


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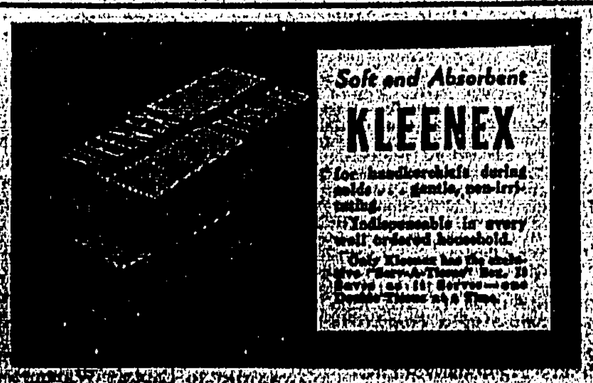


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# MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

# Eastern Beat Kwong Wah In Close Match

## Wong King-chung Plays An Excellent Game

(By "SCRAMBLER")

**THE FORM DISPLAYED by Eastern in their senior football encounter against Kwong Wah yesterday on Caroline Hill did not strike one as that of a league winning team. But for the fact that they were aided by a penalty for a doubtful infringement, they would not have obtained both points by the odd goal in five.**

**Kwong Wah had as much of the play as their opponents, but poor finishing nullified the good work put in by their left winger, Wong King-chung. Eastern indulged in far too much petty passes and individualistic work, with the result that their finishes in front of goal were woefully weak. Their approach work was good, but up to a certain point, they invariably overdid it.**

Kwong Wah delighted spectators with a very quick goal scored by Wong King-chung, who, receiving a pass from Cheuk Shek-kam, cut in to score with a daisy cutter that gave Lau Hin-hon no chance. This lead was short lived, for the Eastern returned to the attack thereafter, and from a pass by Tso Chow-fu, Hau Ching-tau cut in from what appeared to be an offside position to put his team on level terms.

Play was very even at this period, both goals were visited in turn, and had the Kwong Wah forwards accepted the passes presented by Wong King-chung, they would at least have been two goals up. Lee Kwok-kee was tested weakly by Hau Ching-tau and he was soon seen fisting out from a centre by Chung Yung-sum. With play transferred to the other half, Wong King-chung cut across to pass Lau Fook-chuen, who evading the pair of backs, drew Lau Hin-hon out to put the ball into an empty net.

### LISTLESS FOOTBALL

LEADING by the odd goal in three after the interval, play was desultory. Leung Ping-kam centred weakly across from the right. Eastern returned to the attack, and pretty short passing bouts were witnessed that led nowhere. From one of their breakaways, an infringement inside the area was made by the Kwong Wah defenders, and from the resultant spot kick, Hsu Man-fu put his team on level terms once again.

**Kwong Wah had several chances of increasing their score, but slow approach work and poor positioning robbed them of the desired effects. With their defence spreadeagled, Hau Ching-tau walked the ball past them to give them the lead for the first time.**

Despite their determination, Kwong Wah were being constantly watched in midfield, and it was only during this period that the Eastern defence appeared to gain a hold on their opponents.

Several attempts were made at goal, and Yu Hop-hing had bad luck in seeing his shots striking the upright on two occasions. Play thereafter was confined mostly to midfield, and although both sides strove hard to add to their score, they were prevented by two stubborn defences.

### BEST HALF

KWONG Wah's defence played very hard, indeed, but found the short interpassing of Eastern a bit puzzling. L. Woo in the pivotal position was running all over the field and checking the inside trio with some success.

**The best half-back in Kwong Wah's side or for the matter on the field was undoubtedly Kam Kar-piu, who had Chung Yung-sum completely subdued during the greater part of the game. He was forever a thorn in the Eastern's attacks and broke up many a threatening movement by his anticipations and positionings.**

Cheung Shu-fai did not appear to be able to hold the nippy Hau Ching-tau, and both of the goals came from his side. As for the backs, they have still to understand each other's game, for from a misunderstanding the second goal was scored by Hau Ching-tau. These backs cleared very strongly and gave their front men good support.

Lee Kwok-kee did what was expected of him, and should have made an attempt in stopping the second goal.

Of the forwards Wong King-Chung on the extreme left caught the eye with his speedy and tricky runs down the line. Both goals came from him, and with Cheuk Shek-kam, was a great worry to the Eastern's right flank of defence. Had Cheuk Shek-kam got rid of the ball quicker on several occasions, the result might have been different.

The weak spot in their attack was undoubtedly Leung Ping-kam, for during the greater part of the game, he was unable to come up to the standard set up by his forwards. Lau Fook-chuen, too, was inclined to be slow, and Chin Chi-fai was too well watched to be of much support, although he did managed to get rid of the attentions of Hsu King-sing.

### UNIMPRESSIVE EASTERN

EASTERN did not play as a team. The forwards were nice to watch with their delightful approach work, but by their overdoing it, they were very often robbed of the ball at the crucial moments. Chung Yung-sum was practically a passenger during the game, due to the close attention of Kam Kar-piu. Yu Hop-hing's work was, therefore, nullified by his partner's inability to get away with his passes, and Hsu Man-fu was always there when wanted, but lacked the last touches.

**Hau Ching-tau and Tso Chow-fung were a very formidable pair, and like their opponents; danger always come from them. Hau's opportunism obtained for him two goals.**

The defence did not really settle down to their work till the closing stages of the game, for during the earlier period, they did not have the same cohesion. Hsu King-sing at the commencement played the third back game, and gradually found time to feed his forwards. Lau Chi-tsang found Wong-chung a source of worry and by his going too far up field, he left a big gap for his back to cover.

Lo Wai-kuen worked unobtrusively throughout, more than holding the right flank. The backs were sound without being brilliant, and cleared with understanding. Lau Hin-hon saved on several occasions, and the two goals scored against him were not his fault.

### LISTLESS SOCCER

EASTERN played listless football. There was the lack of dash which is so much associated with their team. The defence too was not at its best, and had they been pitted against another team, or for that matter, had the Kwong Wah's forwards accepted their opportunities, they would undoubtedly have gone down.

Kwong Wah had only themselves to blame for not taking away at least one point. They were presented with innumerable chances, and these were either frittered away, or found the forwards out of position.

EASTERN: Lau Hin-hon, Kong Sing-king, Woo Chi-cheung; Lau Tai-tsang, Hsu King-sing, Lo Wai-kuen; Chung Yung-sum, Yu Hop-hing, Hsu Man-fu, Tso Chow-fung, Hau Ching-tau.

KWONG WAH: Lee Kwok-kee, Chung Fai-lam, Leung Pak-wai; Cheung Shu-fai, L. Woo, Kam Kar-piu; Leung Ping-kam, Lau Fook-chuen, Chin Chi-fai, Cheuk Shek-kam, Wong King-chung.

# Convincing Rugger Win By Navy Fifteen



An incident in the rugger match between the Navy and Police on Saturday. The naval team won easily by 20 points to nil, the Policemen being outclassed.—*Ming Yuen.*

## POLICE WINGERS HAD FEW OPPORTUNITIES

(By "Fly-half")

**NAVY HAD A CONVINCING win over the Police at rugger on Saturday by 20 points (a goal, a penalty goal and four tries) to nil.**

**THE NAVY BACKS handled and passed well. Bucknell and Robinson made a very fine left wing combination, with the former timing his passes to a nicety. Rutherford gave an inspired display and appears to be getting to splendid form. Carter, getting his passes in good time, opened up the game well. Watson hooked the ball back in the majority of the set scrums. Other forwards to impress were Poole and Taylor. Honeywell was neat in his work at full back.**

Once again lack of penetration power was obvious in the Police three line. The insides appear unable to make openings for the wing men. Reynolds was inclined to hang on to the ball too long. Jackson, at stand-off half, tried hard and certainly went straight up the field when in possession. Wall was safe in his handling and kicking, but force of numbers generally deprived him of opportunities to prevent tries. It might be a good move to try him at inside three.

Wright-Nooth was very active up forward, being here, there and everywhere after the ball. Dempsey tried hard and was fairly successful in the line-outs.

### *Navy Scoring*

Watson opened the Navy's account with a penalty goal when the Police were two men short. Then following good work by the threes, Paul scored a try which Watson converted. Good following-up by Carter, who received from Bowden following an interception by Paul led to the first mentioned player scoring an unconverted try.

In the second half, Bucknell went through on his own to score another unconverted try. Next Carter kicked ahead and Manfield, who was showing up well amongst the forwards, followed up quickly to beat Wall for the touch-down. Watson failed to add the goal points.

Soon after Robinson rounded Dingsdale and handed off Wall to score yet another unconverted try.

Teams:

Navy.—Honeywill; Robinson, Bucknell, Paul and Bowden; Carter and Rutherford; Palmer, Watson, Manfield; Taylor, Brewer; Wilkinson, Longmuir and Poole.

Police.—Wall; Taylor, Innes, Reynolds and Dingsdale; Jackson and Leslie; Rose, Lewis, Cullinan; Davitt, Jenner; Wright-Nooth, Dempsey and Oakley.

Millar, Cuthbertson, Pinkerton, Gillan and Duke.

Club.—Thompson; Bosanquet, Day, Aitkenhead and Stewart; Carter and Morgan; Hessman, Macrae, Hackett; Gairdner, Needham; Godfrey, Taylor and Kennedy.

## Army Trounce Club Fifteen

Army made no doubt of their superiority over Club when at Boundary Street they won by 20 points (a goal and five tries) to three points (a try).

Army were without Hook and Club without Thomson, but Coombes and Morgan did quite well in their positions. Macdonald, who came into the Army side through Hook's absence, played a wonderful game with a good turn of speed. Richards, as an inside three, was another find. He made grand openings for his partner, Macdonald.

Marsh and Douglass were in more subdued form on the right wing although the latter kicked ahead a lot, and this appeared to have the Club men worried.

The Army pack bunched well in the open and gave their opponents very short time in which to retrieve. Millar, Sutherland and Duke were prominent.

### *Club Threes Poor*

The Club threes had one of their bad days. Their passing was very wild and hardly once did the ball get out to the man on the wing. Charter, at stand-off, did not feed his threes too well. The Club forwards lacked fire. Their covering up in defence still leaves much to be desired.

An early unconverted try by Charter promised well for Club. Army, however, were not long in retaliating when Millar threw himself over under the posts. Douglass converted. Coombes followed this up with an unconverted try.

In the second half, Richards, Ford and Macdonald (2) scored unconverted tries for the Army.

Teams:

Army.—Clague; Marsh, Douglass, Richards and Macdonald; Coombes and Wedderburn; Bompas, Ford, Sutherland;

## How Teams Fared

**FIRST DIVISION**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Middlesex | 1 | Sing Tao | 3 |
| Kowloon | 1 | Police | 0 |
| Eastern | 3 | Kwong Wah | 2 |
| Navy | 1 | St. Joseph's | 1 |

**SECOND DIVISION**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| R. Engineers | 2 | R.A.O.C. | 0 |
| Middlesex | 3 | 30th R.A. | 2 |
| Club | 0 | Sing Tao | 5 |
| Kowloon | 3 | Police | 3 |
| R.A.S.C. | 10 | Kit Chee | 1 |
| Navy | 1 | R. Scots | 3 |
| South China | 6 | Kwong Wah | 1 |

**THIRD DIVISION**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7th R.A. | 0 | 24th R.A. | 3 |
| International | 1 | 20th R.A. | 0 |
| 35th R.A. | 3 | Engineers | 2 |
| R.A.S.C. | 3 | A.S.A. | 1 |
| 12th R.A. | 3 | 36th R.A. | 1 |
| R.A.F. | 5 | Shell | 0 |
| Signals | 5 | R.A.M.C. | 1 |

## CASH SWEEP RESULTS

**RACE 1**

No. 3128 $3,275.00
No. 627 650.00
No. 3634 325.00
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 1058, 2189, 1531, 1744, 4280, 253, 4536, 2479, 3894, 2931, 4308.

**RACE 2**

No. 93 $2,461.20
No. 431 703.20
No. 2772 351.60
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 2302, 718, 5218, 5115, 1035, 3990, 1534, 869, 1294, 5937, 809.

**RACE 3**

No. 2722 $3,128.00
No. 1123 1,042.00
Unplaced pony ($50 each): No. 5327.

**RACE 4**

No. 4174 $2,895.40
No. 4780 618.20
No. 5000 (Dead heat) 618.20
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 5568, 3479, 1201, 5423, 5725, 4505, 67, 5162.

**RACE 5**

No. 862 $3,000.20
No. 3752 857.20
No 3910 428.60
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 3335, 3509, 1949, 4532, 176, 706, 2075.

**RACE 6**

No. 2987 $5,626.00
No. 4064 1,008.00
No. 53 804.00
Unplaced ponies ($100 each): Nos. 2902, 2238, 833, 4540, 1059, 1667, 3289.

**RACE 7**

No. 2747 $3,108.00
No. 5828 888.00
No. 4499 444.00
Unplaced ponies ($50 each): Nos. 1587, 5600, 6021, 1488, 2106, 4433, 1948, 3116, 5905, 2601.

**RACE 8**

No. 1824 $3,947.20
No. 406 1,699.20
No. 2554 849.60
Unplaced ponies ($100 each): Nos. 3152, 5901, 1627, 924, 6006, 4833, 5095.

## Hockey League Encounters

Several matches in the Hongkong Hockey Association tournament were played yesterday.

Recreio A beat A. N. Other's XI 3-0 at King's Park. Scorers.—H. L. Ozorio, J. Fonseca and F. X. Sequeira.

Police A beat C.B.A. 2-1. Scorers.—Howlett, Jasbir Singh; T. Whitley.

Khalsa beat University, 7-0. Scorers.—Awtar Singh (5), Guest, Kirmindar Singh.

5th. A.A. "A" beat 5th. A.A. "B" 2-1. Scorers.—Hazara Singh, Abdul Dinar; McCadden.

Gunboats beat M.T.B.'s 3-1. Scorers.—Gemmel (2), Collard; Hall.

Police B beat Destroyers 3-0. Scorers.—Channan Singh (2), Nawan Singh.

## SPORTS ADVT.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 30th November, 1940 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 21st November, 1940.

By Order,
C. H. BROWN,
Secretary.

## WEEK-END YACHTING

### *Cruiser Series Race*

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's Second Cruiser series championship event over 22 miles yesterday resulted as follows:

**Division I**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| E 37 Norena (Mr. P. C. M. Sedgwick) | 15.37.46½ | 15.37.46½ | 1 10 |
| Cresund (Mr. K. Neckelman) | 16.02.14 | 15.43.03 | 2 8 |
| Yehonala (Mr. G. W. Behrman) | 16.09.55 | 15.43.54 | 3 6 |
| La Cicale I (Mr. N. Croucher) | 15.52.45 | 15.52.45 | 4 4 |
| Donna (Capt. A. O. G. Mills) | 16.18.10 | 15.58.14 | 5 3 |
| Red Rover | D.N.F. | | 6 1 |

**Division II**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Tyrone (Mr. B. Herschend) | 17.22.33 | 15.36.57 | 1 9 |
| Cormorant (Mr. P. H. MacMillan) | 17.13.24 | 15.44.43 | 2 7 |
| Isis (Lt. R. N. B. Browne) | 17.35.10 | 15.48.50 | 3 5 |
| U and I (Mr. J. B. Colls) | 16.51.29 | 15.55.17 | 4 3 |

Evolene was disqualified.

**Four-Tonners**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Typhoon (Mr. G. M. Marrs) | 16.54.42 | 15.28.18 | 1 10 |
| Cutty (Mr. H. Foy) | 17.03.35 | 15.34.20 | 2 8 |
| Sai Long (Mr. J. S. Dunnett) | 17.00.21 | 15.30.47 | 3 6 |
| Tern (Mr. J. L. Anderson) | 16.57.42 | 15.41.07 | 4 4 |
| Curlew (Mr. P. Clarke) | 17.13.08 | 15.42.54 | 5 3 |
| Monsoon (Major A. P. Trevor) | 17.29.15 | 15.45.40 | 6 2 |

**Guri Wins on Saturday**

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's third Commodore's Cup and Championship race, held on Saturday over a distance of 7.2 miles, resulted in Guri (S K. Helberg) coming in first with 19 points, Joss (Major G. E. Neve) was second with 17 points and Gull (Capt. A. O. G. Mills) was third with 15. There were 15 starters and only one boat Kittiwake, failed to complete the course.

The race for the Mixed Class was won by Wendy (H. W. Browne), with Zephyr (Major Rochfort-Boyd) second and Widgeon (P. F. MacCabe) third. There were six starters, and all finished.

## Victory For St. George's

The members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club had their annual match yesterday. St. George's representatives beat St. Andrew's by 10¾ points—33½-23¼.

In the morning, contrary to expectations, St. George's players gained a considerable lead, 21 points to 9. In the four balls event, St. Andrew's came up hand over fist till the scores were almost level. St. George's, however, made a gallant recovery with the result stated above.

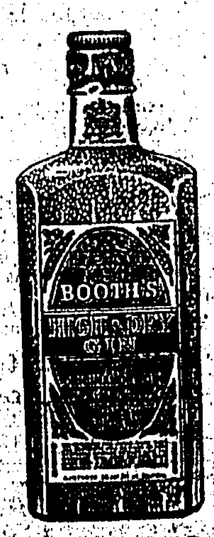
### *Kowloon Golf Club*

The Kowloon Golf Club's 36-hole Medal Play Championship held yesterday resulted in a tie for first place between S. Tomlinson and R. K. Collings, both returning a score of 167. W. Kershaw was third with 172, followed by A. J. Dennis with 173 and T. B. Low with 175.

Results of the first round of the Junior Championship were: G. B. Frost beat L. Sykes; W. C. Hung beat J. Coles; H. J. Grove beat J. R. Humble; R. Miller beat S. J. Remedios; T. Henderson beat E. C. Pinchart; and A. G. Butterfield beat W. Groves.


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# British Evacuees Arrive from Estonia on Way to Refuge in Australia: Red Continent Crossed

**ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY SIX BRITISH MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN, EVACUEES FROM ESTONIA, ARRIVED IN HONGKONG TO-DAY EN ROUTE TO AUSTRALIA. THEY HAVE BEEN TRAVELLING SINCE OCTOBER 26 GOING OVERLAND VIA SIBERIA TO VLADIVOSTOCK, WHERE THEY WERE MET BY A HONGKONG SHIP. HONGKONG HAS BEEN THEIR FIRST PORT OF CALL SINCE LEAVING VLADIVOSTOCK AND THEY ARE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE THEIR JOURNEY SOUTH TO-DAY BY THE SAME SHIP.**

**Included among the evacuees is Mrs. L. Russell-Green, for several years Estonia correspondent of the "Sunday Observer." With her is her young son. In an exclusive story to the "Telegraph" she describes the long journey through Soviet Russia and the excellent treatment accorded them.**

In an interview this morning Mrs. Green said that their evacuation was made necessary by a Soviet order declaring that all foreigners who had not left Estonia by January 1, 1941, would have to take out Soviet citizenship. As a result practically all foreigners had now left Estonia.

After Estonia had been annexed by Russia, the inhabitants, both Estonians and foreigners, were subjected to severe restrictions; they could receive no news apart from Soviet propaganda, and people who talked indiscreetly in cafes and other public places were arrested.

Mrs. Green said the evacuees had remained cheerful and in good spirits, but many were dubious about Australia, and feared they would not like the country.

Mrs. Green is not only an eminent journalist, but an author, and her fascinating account of the evacuation trip across Russia appears below.

Mr. C. V. Pisserevsky of na House reported to the Police yesterday that he had lost a pen, pencil and cigarette holder valued at $33.

## Deaf Man Remanded

As he had claimed he was deaf and could not follow the proceedings, Sam Yiu, 29, a barber, was remanded by Mr. G. T. Lowry at Central Magistracy last week on a charge of theft of $5,000, Chinese currency from Fung Yin-sang, 40, of 95 Wa Hung Street, first floor, and this morning Det.-Sergeant Cullinan informed Mr. Lowry that Sam had been sent to hospital.

Det.-Sergeant Cullinan added that the defendant would appear before Mr. Lowry again on November 20 and the case was accordingly adjourned to that date.

## Onslow Acquitted

Some interesting legal points concerning the question of constructive possession in relation to a charge of possession of stolen property, were contained in a written judgement delivered by Mr. G. T. Lowry at Central Magistracy this morning in the case of Charles Onslow, 40, described as an unemployed Eurasian.

Onslow was charged with having unlawful possession of two diamond rings at Wing Wo Street on November 7, and he denied the charge saying that he merely had two pawn tickets in his possession. The pawn tickets were said to be related to two diamond rings, valued at $80 and $30 respectively.

Onslow was discharged.

## Mrs. Danbrowsky Hit By Lorry: Driver Fined

As a result of a traffic accident on Saturday morning when Mrs. H. Danbrowsky, wife of Police Sergeant Danbrowsky, received head injuries, Chan Sing, 28, lorry driver, was charged before Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon Magistracy this morning with dangerous driving and driving without due care and caution.

Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined $50.

## Luxury For Penniless

*Riga To Vladivostock With Baltic Evacuees*

By L. RUSSELL-GREEN

ESTONIA CORRESPONDENT OF THE "SUNDAY OBSERVER"

An attempt at evacuation had already been made on September 4, when the Estonian crowd congregated in the Customs House of the port of Tallinn in order to go to Sweden via Helsinki. Only then were we told that the Swedish arrangements were cancelled and we had to wait nearly two months, homeless and almost destitute, before the journey to Australia via Vladivostock could be arranged.

It was Saturday, October 26 when we eventually set off for Riga, where the various members of the three Baltic States assembled. On Sunday, the 27th, our special train left Riga for a ten-days' trek to Vladivostock. It consisted of eight wagon-lit coaches and a dining-car conveyed 70 Britishers, besides the Intourist staff and one coach for ordinary passengers.

We had received full warning of the difficulties of this arduous journey and were prepared for some measure of discomfort and tedium. We were therefore agreeably surprised when we found our four-berth compartments extremely comfortably arranged, complete with table-lamp and night-lights, with more ample space for luggage over the corridor than we had been led to expect.

*Luxurious Meal*

Meal-coupons for the whole ten days were immediately distributed and, scarcely had we set off at 2 p.m. than lunch was served. It was a luxurious meal consisting of caviare, chicken with rice, salad and grapes. Later in the afternoon we discovered home-comforts in the form of a boiling samovar at the end of each coach, where the conductor made us tea at almost any time for a few kopeks or, if we preferred a stronger variety, we could ourselves make our own particular brew. The conductors were not only attentive, but friendly, and even tender towards the sick; they were also equipped with first-aid apparatus in case of accidents.

We had three substantial meals a day. Dinner consisted of meat, vegetables, kasha (a sort of boiled meal), fruit and usually tea; for breakfast, ham and eggs, cheese, white, black and a sour kind of brown bread, butter, cake and tea. Delicacies were the order of the day, and at first we all ate heartily of chicken, duck, goose, turkey, grapes and caviare,—especially caviare . . . until some began to suffer from train-sickness and others caught cold with going out to walk on station-platforms insufficiently clad. Then meals were missed and fruit was much in demand in exchange for unused coupons.

As time went on, coffee parties became a regular feature of the day,—intimate parties within the precincts of the compartments. But on the whole we lived communally in the corridor, only retiring to our compartments to rest or sleep.

*Embarrassing*

Although there was some attempt to keep the refugees from the three Baltic States separate, no serious attempt seemed to have been made to segregate the sexes,—with curiously embarrassing results. A married couple found themselves in the company of two elderly men in the same compartment and one eligible young bachelor was even placed with three no less eligible young girls. No distinction between classes was observed on the train. Directors and workmen hobnobbed at the same table in the dining-car. All were treated alike, and everyone was given 15 roubles pocket-money to spend. When hot running water was available for washing, we all had to await our turns in the queue; and we all indulged in the luxury of clean bedlinen every third day.

Our journey was of necessity direct, so that we had little opportunity of a close-up of Soviet-Russia, though we travelled from Riga, the extreme westerly point to Vladivostock, the extreme easterly point. Even at Moscow, the train remained a minimum of time; and we were very disappointed not to be able even to have a rapid view of the new capital. But we were told to remain in our coaches while the train was shunted on to a different line.

We had some twenty minutes on the platform while the locomotive and dining-car were changed, when we all tried to steal a brief interview with Sir Stafford Cripps, who stood there without his hat, trying to satisfy the exigencies of everybody in the freezing cold. As we approached Siberia, the nights became colder and the windows froze, although our carriages were warm.

*Pathetic Farewell*

At Novosibirsk, the climax of cold was reached, and we ran out through an icy wind into the warm station,—a magnificent building more like a sky-scraper in the centre of New York than a towering edifice amidst low-built houses set in the centre of the Siberian prairie. Here, one member of our party bid a pathetic farewell to his wife and child. He had the misfortune to possess a British passport, though he spoke no word of English; and, according to the Soviet law of 1935, his wife had to retain her original Russian nationality and therefore had to remain behind, while the husband, being a British subject was compelled to leave even his own wife and child, though he was longing to remain.

The local inhabitants who were visible at stations we passed through seemed generally adequately dressed and fed, but ignorant as to events of the outside world. We were asked, for instance, if the war between Soviet-Russia and Finland were over. Recruits in passing trains took us for circus performers, and we were generally eyed curiously, as if we had been first-class artistes or strolling players. At Chita, we saw a crowd of people awaiting a local train; the station was full,—a seething mass of humanity, mothers feeding their infants at the breast, naked babies asleep on sacks.

At Irkutsk, we had already passed through a blizzard to milder weather, though our carriage window was still frozen and had to go into the corridor of the next coach to see the unique view over Lake Baikal, a mountain-lined inland sea, where the railway, a magnificent piece of engineering work, winds so tortuously that we, in the sixth coach, were often catching sight of our own locomotive. Here, we went through about fifty tunnels bored through the mountains.

We had been behind time and now were fast gaining and expected to reach Vladivostock when the train was due. But the movement of the train going round the bends resembled very much that of a rolling sea, and some passengers fell sick.

We did not go through Manchuria, but passed through colder climes further north before we reached the region of the Japanese sea and eventually Voroshilov, where we were at last able to promenade the platform without our hats and shawls. Promptly at eight o'clock in the evening of November 6, the lights of Vladivostock appeared in the distance, drew nearer and nearer, until we at last reached the end of our memorable journey across Soviet-Russia to Vladivostock.

## Cars Missing

Mr. C. I. Sipitsky of St. John's Apartments reported to the Police yesterday that his car was taken from the Peak Tramway car park at 10.30 a.m.

The car is valued at $2,000.

Mr. J. H. Chan of Wanchai Road reported to the Police that between 12.30 a.m. and 3.30 a.m. to-day, some person stole his car from outside his house.

## Sandakan Light Power Co. Annual Meeting

A satisfactory improvement on the previous year's accounts was reported by the Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, Chairman, presiding at the 18th annual meeting of the Sandakan Light and Power Co. (1922) Ltd., which was held this morning in the head office of the Company.

The Chairman was supoprted by Messrs. J. P. Braga and S. M. Churn (Directors) and A.A. Botelho (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Messrs. N. V. A. Croucher, H. T. Buxton, I. W. Shewan, H. Dreyer, J. Dick, F. J. Tavares and J. A. Braga.

Making his report, the Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields said:

"Gentlemen: Your Directors on the recommendation of the Company's Auditors decided to present the Accounts now before you in the form which is coming into general use by including a Profit & Loss & Appropriation Account and I hope this meets with your approval.

"The accounts show what I consider a satisfactory improvement on the previous year.

"Both Lighting and Power units sold are up slightly and expenditure is lower, resulting in an improvement of $16,445.01 in the balance at credit of Profit & Loss Account for the year.

"The net profit for the year amounts to $77,821.18 which with the sum of $22,700.97 makes a sum of $100,522.15 available for appropriation.

"We have had no exceptional expenditure during the year; depreciation has been provided on the usual basis on Buildings, Plant and Machinery and provision has been made for obsolescence and depreciation on sundry equipment as recommended by the Resident Engineer, who reports that the Plant is in good working order and the Buildings in good repair.

*Spitfire Fund*

"During the year, in response to an appeal from Sandakan, we made a contribution of Straits $1,000 to the North Borneo Spitfire Fund which I am sure will meet with your approval.

"There is nothing further calling for comment and I can only express the hope that Sandakan and incidentally our undertaking there, may prosper in spite of the very complicated political situation now obtaining in the Far East.

"I beg to propose that the Report & Accounts as presented be adopted and passed, and that the sum of $100,522.15 be appropriated as follows:—

To place to the credit of: Superannuation Fund $5,000; Capital Plant Reserve $10,000; To pay a dividend of $1 per share on 50,000 shares $50,000; To carry forward to the credit of Profit & Loss Account for the ensuing year $35,522.15.

The motion was carried.

## Heroin Pills Lead To Three Year Sentence

**Arrested during a raid by Revenue Officers, Chan Mui, 21, woman, was sentenced to three years' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when she was found guilty of unlawful possession of 37,500 heroin pillis.**

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and the following comprised the Jury: Messrs. H. H. Fantham (Foreman), Fan Ho-yuen, C. Cuello, Ho Shiu-pui, Chow Yau-leung, L. Budagian and Ho Wai-mo.

Mr. Murphy said that on October 9 a party of Revenue Officers, led by Mr. H. A. Taylor and Mr. W. V. Ahern, carried out a raid on the first floor of 122, Jaffee Road, where Chan was found in the rear cubicle. On a bed were a rattan basket and a suitcase. Chan produced the key to the lock of the ratton basket, which contained only clothing. As she was unable to produce the key to the lock of the suitcase, it was forced open and the heroin pills were found inside.

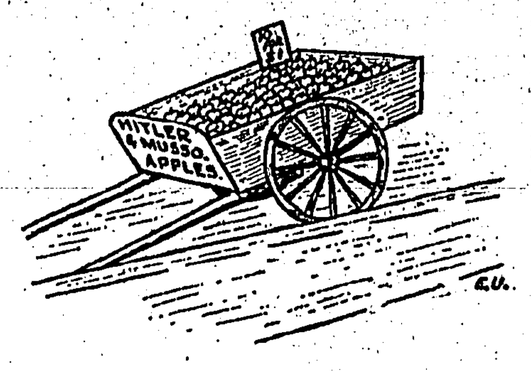
Chan at this time was standing near the window fumbling with the curtain, and when the spot was examined two keys were found on the window sill. One of the keys fitted the suitcase lock and the other a lock of the dressing table.

*Defendant's Plea*

Following evidence for the prosecution, Chan made a statement from the dock to the effect that she was a newcomer to the Colony and that her brother-in-law brought the suitcase and rattan basket to the floor. She did not know one of them contained heroin pills as her brother-in-law had told her that they contained only clothing.

The Jury retired for only five minutes before returning their verdict.


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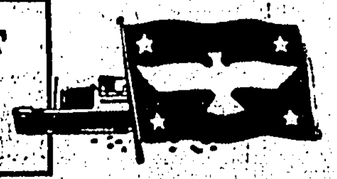
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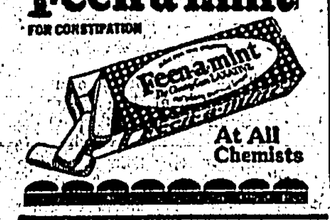
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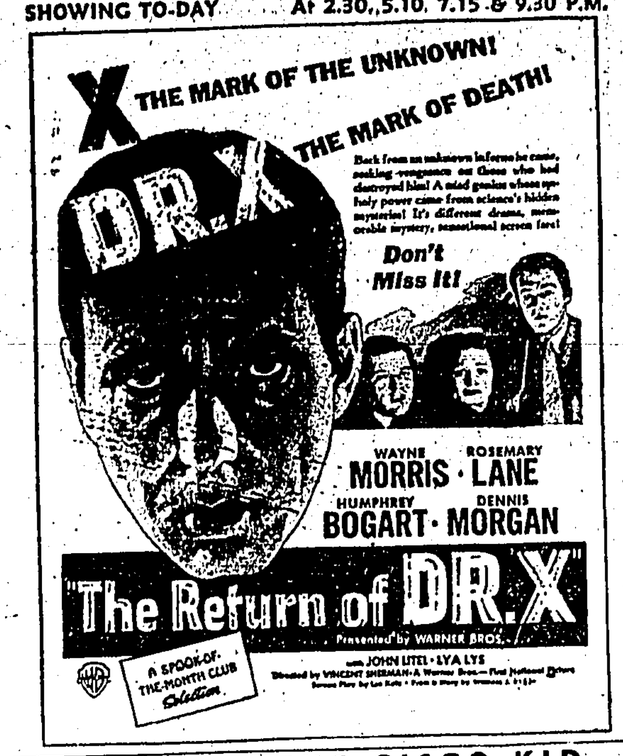



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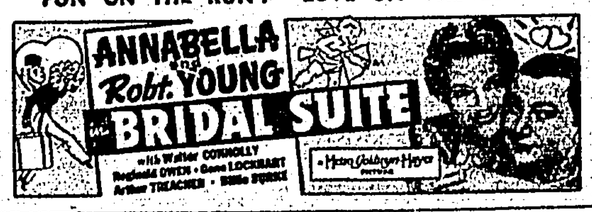



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# HUGE GUNS ROAR IN CHANNEL DUEL ON SUNDAY

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LONDON, Nov. 17 (UP).—The flashes of exploding bombs dumped by the R.A.F. lit up the French coast from Bologne to Calais to-day and touched off an intensive retaliatory shelling of the Dover area by the German long range guns.

The British attack on the "invasion coast" had scarcely subsided when the Big Berthas around Cap Gris Nez and Calais, across the narrowest point on the Channel, belched, the shells screaming across the water.

Flashes of the German guns were visible from the southeast coast of England which trembled under the thunder of the cannon.

### *Challenge Accepted*

**British guns on "Hell's Corner," on the cliffs around Dover took up the challenge and for nearly three hours the artillery kept up the duel across the brightly moonlit channel.**

At intervals of three minutes, great explosions rocked towns on the English coast and hundreds of persons hurried to vantage points on the cliffs to watch the spectacle.

R.A.F. airmen encountered intense counter-fire while seeking their targets, the crashes of exploding bombs being followed by bursts as shells and searchlight beams raked the sky.

### *Hamburg Blasted*

The Air Ministry reported that the largest force of British bombers yet to attack Hamburg blasted a great number of industrial land communication centres on Saturday night and long "great billowing red flames" were reported to be surging over the targets of Germany's second largest city, major port and industrial centre upon which the R.A.F. have concentrated some of their longest and most intense attacks.

### *12-Hour Raid*

The first of the R.A.F. pilots arrived over Hamburg at nightfall and the last one was there at 6 a.m. Relay after relay battered the military objectives with scarcely an interruption.

Tons of bombs are reported to have been dropped on the targets, including railway yards and oil refineries at Alton and the electrical objectives in the Millwarder and Moorfleth districts. One whole force of aircraft were said to have concentrated on the Blohm and Voss shipyards, which are among the most important in Germany.

Other raiders are credited with night attacks on the aerodromes and ports at widely scattered points in German territory. Daylight attacks are reported to have been made on the oil refinery plants at Cologne, Bremen and along the Dortmund-Ems canal.

The Air Ministry said the R.A.F. made "effective destructive attacks" on Saturday on the aerodromes at Rouen, Abbeville and Cambrai, all in north France.

### *A Nazi Denial*

BERLIN, Nov. 17 (UP).—It is denied here that the R.A.F. carried out daylight raids Saturday on Cologne, Bremen and the Dortmund-Ems canal, the London reports being termed as "sheer invention."

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday says.

There is little to report due to the short morning session. Banks, Electrics, Trams and Lands remain firm while Ropes, Cements and Providents were slightly easier.

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**Sales**

Trams $16.50
Electrics (Old) $38
Macao Electrics (old) $17.75
Macao Electrics (new) $16.75

## LATE NEWS

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withdraw from their position in a monastery below the summit of Mount Ivan.

It is believed that General Soddu will seek to reorganise the Italians evacuating at Pograd where the foothills start again on the plain north of Koritza.

Meanwhile military authorities in Athens report that the main body of the Italian army forced from the Kalpaki sector is reforming in the Argyrocastro valley where there is intense aerial activity covering the Italian army's movements. However, it is the general opinion that a pitched battle is unlikely, because the Greeks strategy is to avoid mass engagements in the open plains which would allow the Italians to utilise their superiority in tanks and other mechanised units. The Greeks prefer to occupy the mountain tops until the enemy's concentrations are broken up by artillery from the heights.

Further Greek advances are reported from the coastal sectors where the Italians are withdrawing from Sante Quaranti, leaving guns and trucks bogged in the marshy Kalamas region.

The Greek coastal advance is based at the newly recaptured town of Filiates, and is pushing into the low hills of Konispol Bay with the support of a Greek destroyer flotilla, which is shelling the Italian retreat along the coastal roads.

It has been revealed that last Thursday evening this same flotilla forced Otranto Bay and shelled the Italian base at Sansao Islands at the entrance to the bay. They afterwards returned to their own bases without encountering Italian warships.

## EARLY MORNING AIR RAIDS

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reported to have been dropped but no fires from these have been reported.

For a brief interval ground guns threw up an intense fire into the low clouds above which the raiders flew through the murky night. Squadrons of fighting planes and A.A. batteries scattered and repulsed formations of raiders which crossed the coast during the day. Scarcely a ripple was caused in the Sunday peacefulness in the Metropolitan area.

### *British Losses*

The Air Ministry reported that five Royal Air Force planes have been lost throughout the day but the pilots of four are safe. The official communique said that fighting planes scattered the raiders over Kent and that a few bombs were dropped at two places near the coast, one near Sussex and at some points in East Anglia. Some damage and a few casualties have been reported.

Apparently the heaviest blow today was struck shortly before dawn when raiders roared at short intervals over a south coast town and dropped bombs which caused heavy damage and numerous casualties.

The damage in this raid was done mostly to houses and business premises. A sports building was demolished with a direct hit.

Late on Saturday 2,500 persons were dancing in the building but it was empty when it was bombed and there were no casualties.

"A quarter of a million pounds capital is involved—but we can take it," said the Managing Director of the building.

### *Mines Drop On Waste Land*

Two mines were dropped on waste land to-day and the explosions caused a crater more than 100 feet wide. Working class houses were damaged but the casualties were only superficial.

Seven Messerschmidt fighter bombers, apparently seeking industrial works, raided a southeast town where they dropped light bombs, all of which exploded harmlessly in open spaces.

## TURKEY IS CALM AND CONFIDENT

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The Ambassador is expected to bring reports to the Turkish Government on Monday

The Turkish press continues to stress that the present hime is one of waiting for the unknown, but the belief is generally expressed that the talks between the Italian and German military chiefs of staff is likely to hasten events.

### *Nazi Pressure Expected*

ANKARA, Nov. 17 (Domei).—While minimizing the possibility of German military moves in the Balkans, Turkish political circles expect mounting Nazi diplomatic pressure on Turkey as a consequence of M. Molotov's visit to Berlin.

It is pointed out here that the 25,000 German troops now in Rumania have not been organised as a striking force, being principally engaged in training the Rumanian army.

Moreover, the bridging of the Danube is still in a blue-print stage, although the necessary construction materials are being feverishly assembled to permit the crossing of the waterway from Rumania to Bulgaria.

These factors, it is believed, will delay any military moves by the Axis Powers against Bulgaria until next Spring.

## JAPAN TO MAKE FINAL OFFER

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pean commercial pressure would give China an opportunity to "become strong enough to safeguard her integrity."

He urged for adequate consideration of Japan's needs in Asia, and said that a free Japan trading with a free China and Asiatic mainland can satisfy the essential requisites of industrial economy by having the opportunity to purchase raw materials and have an outlet in its manufactured products.

## GREEK ADVANCE CONTINUES

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the night, when they brought up their artillery with which they are now threatening to cut off the Koritza sector from the important Italian supply centre of Meharia.

### *Thrown Off Greek Soil*

ATHENS, Nov. 17 (UP).—Authoritative reports from the front claimed to-night that Greek troops have driven the last Italian forces from Greek soil and are advancing on Albanian territory in a furious drive.

### *Reinforcements Broken Up*

BUDAPEST, Nov. 17 (UP).—The Greek radio reported that on the Florina front the Greeks had broken up the newly reinforced Italian army division of 130 tanks which retreated to Yugo-Slavian soil.


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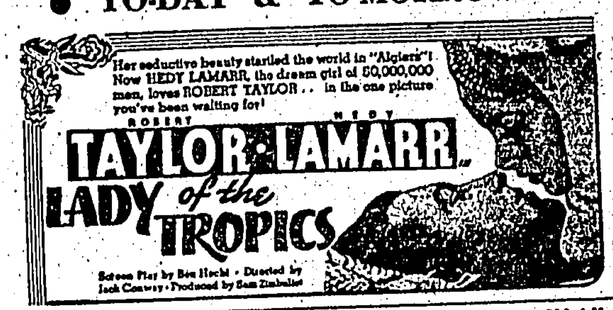
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# China Takes Heart From Recent Events

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These international developments are taken to indicate the determination of Britain, the United States and Russia to resist further aggression on the part of Japan in the Pacific.

The Chinese paper concludes, "A new dawn is breaking for independent and free new China. We must seize this great opportunity to make the greatest effort for final victory."

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